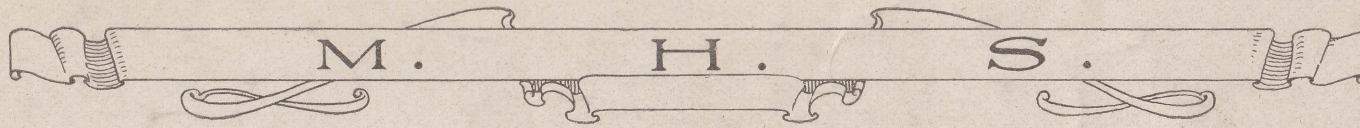


1915

Morrence High School



Dedication.

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To
Mr. C. R. Johnston,
Superintendent of Schools,
we, the
Year Book Staff and Junior Class,
Dedicate the Annual of 1915.

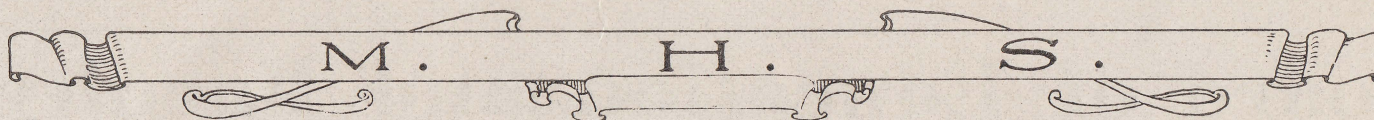
Greeting.

Kind reader, please accept this volume of the Year Book in the same spirit in which it is given. Its contents are a mirror, reflecting the student life of the Momence High School for 1915, making a priceless history for those who love their old Alma Mater and who in the years to come will glance through its pages of happy instances, struggles and realisms with a caressing touch as though an unseen force was welding more closely the fraternal feeling between the past and present.

Year Book Staff.



Momence
High School



Course of Study.

First Year.

Latin, English, Algebra, Physiology, General Science.

Second Year.

Caesar, English, Plane Geometry, Ancient History.

Third Year.

Virgil or Cicero, Solid Geometry, English Literature, English History, Botany, Commercial Arithmetic, German, Advanced Algebra, Commercial Geography.

Fourth Year.

Virgil or Cicero, English, Physics, German, American History, Civics, Solid Geometry, Advanced Algebra, Commercial Law.

Sixteen Credits are required of each pupil for graduation from the above course. A Credit represents the work based upon one hundred and eighty recitations of forty minutes each. Eighty minutes of laboratory work are considered equivalent to a forty minute recitation period. No credit is given for less than one semester's work in any one subject.

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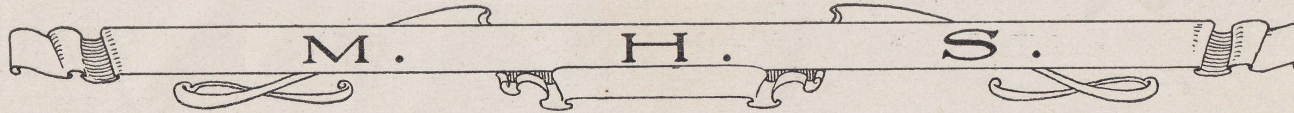


ERRATA.

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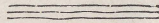
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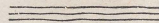


High School Teachers.

Thomas Robert Johnston received his High school education at Evanston Academy, graduated from Northwestern University with the degree of B. S., and has done post-graduate work at the University of Chicago. He also completed a year's work in the Northwestern University Law School. He taught in the public schools of Rock Island county for three years, at Milan, Ill.; Principal of the High school at Rochelle, Ill., for four years, and has been Superintendent of the Momence Public Schools for one year. Before coming to Momence he taught courses in Mathematics and Science, chiefly. While here he has taught American History, Civics, Commercial Law, and Physiology.

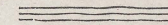


Everett Earl Wheeler attended Lexington High school, and Shurtleff College. Before coming to Momence he taught a rural school at Lexington, Ill., for one year. In the Momence High school he has taught Mathematics and Physics. Beside his regular teaching he has been Coach of Athletics during the two years he has been here.

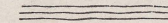


Georgia Kellar Slough was educated at Abingdon H. S., later taking her A. B. degree at Hedding College, and A. M. at Illinois University. She taught the Seventh grade in Edwards, Washington, and Latin and English at Abing-

don H. S. She has been teaching Latin and German in M. H. S. during the past two years. Besides her regular teaching she has been Coach of the Girls' Athletics.

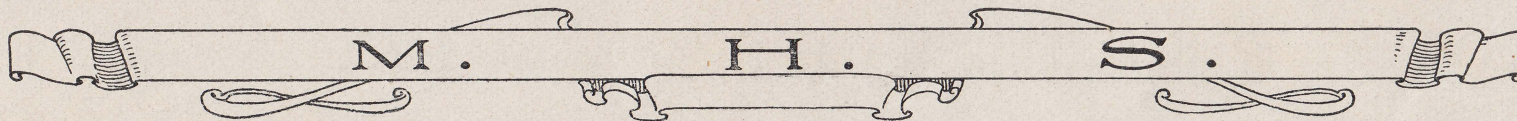


Helen Varner Stallings graduated from the Upper Alton H. S., and received the A. B. degree from Shurtleff College in 1914. During the past year, Miss Stallings has been teaching English, History, Commercial Arithmetic, Commercial Geography, and Botany in our H. S. She has also taken part in the various activities of the school, having charge of the Girls' Glee Club, and being Sponsor Critic for the Zetaethlean Society.



Mrs. Jeannette Shrouts graduated from the Northwestern Academy, now called the Evanston Academy, and received her degree of B. S. from Northwestern University. She taught Mathematics in the Momence High school for one year. During the second semester of the present year, she has taught the General Science and Ancient History courses.



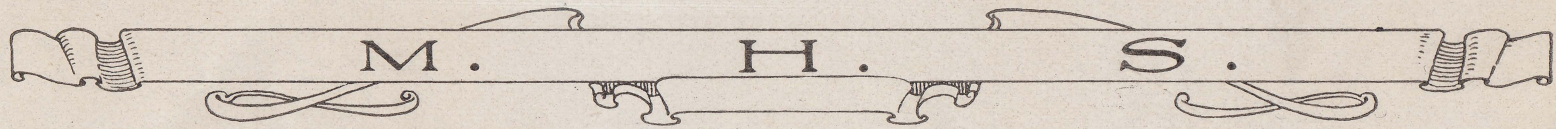


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Staff, September 1, 1914





History of the Class of '15.

Past, Present and Future.

By ROBERT DENNIS.

When first we sought this seat of learning
We were Freshmen, young and green,
Even then, in those Dark Ages,
Promise in our class was seen.

One year later, passing swiftly
Found us cheerful Sophomores bold,
Caring naught for wit nor wisdom,
Pausing not for heat nor cold.

Once more the earth revolved its course,
We were Juniors tried and true,
Turning out the best of Year Books
We had lots of work to do.

All too soon, now, we are Seniors,
For another year is past,
We are Seniors, sober-minded,
For we know it is our last.

O, you Seniors! pause and think, then,
Of the future tasks to do.
Soon the school bell's cheerful ringing
Will mean nothing more to you.

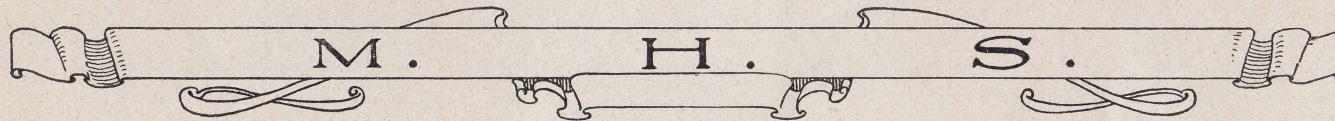
Looking far into the future
When, of years, have passed a score,
Where are they, our long lost comrades?
Scattered wide, the whole world o'er.

From the icy polar regions
To the tropic southern skies,
They have passed in wild confusion,
Living out their destined lives.

In the struggle for existence
Some of us have made a name,
They are placed, along with others,
High upon the rolls of fame.

Others, of us, not so brilliant
Must be content with lesser praise;
But we're better for the memory
Of those happy, bygone days.

We can only do our duty
As the numbered years roll on;
As the melting snow in springtime,
E'er we knew it, we are gone.



Senior Class Roll.

Officers.

President.....	Charles Steevens
Vice-President.....	Edgar Jensen
Secretary.....	Margaret Greenawalt
Treasurer.....	Robert Dennis
Historian.....	Lucille Peterson
Student Council.....	Hazel McConnell



Charles Steevens, President.

Motto—Contendimus praestare.

Colors—Blue and Gold.

Flower—Forget-Me-Not.

Members.

Aimee Bigelow	Monroe Hayden
Ruth Boswell	Edgar Jensen
Lucy Brown	Hazel McConnell
Robert Dennis	Hilton Nichols
Elva DuBridge	Pauline Nichols
Fred Evans	Margaret Nelson
Viola Evans	Lucille Peterson
George Ferree	Lora Simonds
Margaret Greenawalt	Gertrude Smith
Clay Hayden	Charles Steevens
	Phillip Sweet



Lucy Brown

Margaret Nelson

Ruth A. Boswell

Pauline Nichols

Thalia Lucille Peterson

Lucy Brown : Editor Jokes and Grinds, Year Book staff '13; class historian '14; librarian Alethenai Society '12; member Alethenai Society three years; member Girl's Athletic Association and Senior Girl's Basket Ball team '15.

Margaret Nelson: Member of Twentieth Century Society; Alumni Editor Year Book '14.

Ruth A. Boswell: Treasurer Elite Society '14; vice-president Elite Society '15; member of Girl's A. A. and Girl's Glee Club.

Pauline Nichols: Treasurer of G. A. A. '13-'14; member Alethenai Society two and one-half years; member Elite Society; chairman of Constitutional Committee; pianist for Glee Club; pianist Orchestra '13-'14; assistant manager Year Book staff '14.

Thalia Lucille Peterson: Librarian '12 and vice-president Twentieth Century Society '13; editor on Grinds, Year Book staff '14; secretary of Class '14; class Soothsayer '14; winner in Declamation in '13-'14.



Hazel R. McConnell

Mary Lora Simonds

Aimee L. Bigelow

Gertrude A. Smith

Margaret Greenawalt

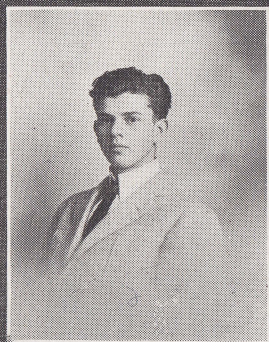
Hazel R. McConnell: Sophomore year, secretary T. C. Society, First Semester; Junior year, secretary T. C. Society, First Semester; President of G. A. A. and Editor-in-Chief Year Book, '14; Senior year, member of Student Council.

Mary Lora Simonds: Secretary class '10; member Alethenai Society, Glee Club, Girls' Athletic Association; President Zetalethean Society.

Aimee L. Bigelow: Treasurer Twentieth Century Society, '13; member M. H. S. orchestra, '12-'14; member Girl's Glee Club, '13-'14; Treasurer "Optimatis" '13-'14; member Student Council, '14-'15.

Gertrude A. Smith: Member Alethenai Society, librarian, '13; Literary Society Editor Year Book, '14; member Student Council, '14.

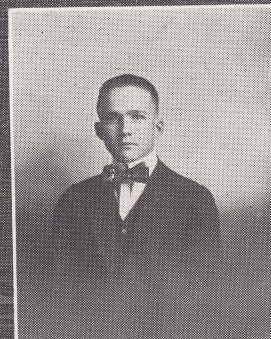
Margaret Greenawalt: Secretary class of '15.



Hilton C. Nichols



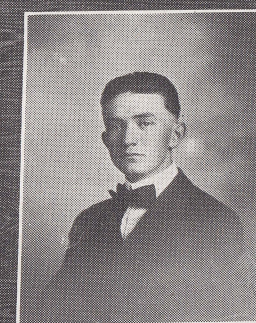
Viola Evans



Clay Hayden



Elva L. DuBridge



Phillip M. Sweet

Hilton C. Nichols: Sergeant-at-Arms Twentieth Century Society, First Semester '13; president Twentieth Century Society, Second Semester '13; vice-president Twentieth Century Society '14; winner local extempore and County extempore cups '14; Year Book leader '14; member Elite Society '15.

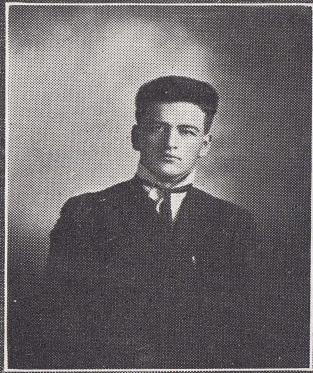
Viola Evans: Graduated from Junior class Grant Park H. S. '14.

Clay Hayden: Captain Basket Ball team '15; captain Track Team '14; president Alethenai Society '14;

Athletic Editor Year Book '14; captain Foot Ball Team '13; treasurer Alethenai Society '13; vice-president Alethenai society '12; president of class '12; treasurer Alethenai society '12.

Elva L. DuBridge: Ex-member Alethenai society; member Zetaethean Society.

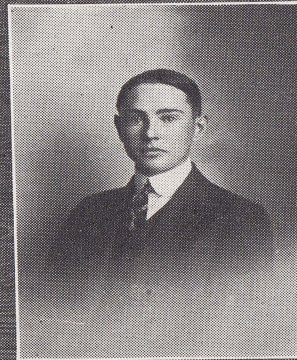
Phillip M. Sweet: Business manager "Optimatis" '13-'14; secretary-treasurer M. H. S. A. A. '13-'14 and '14-'15.



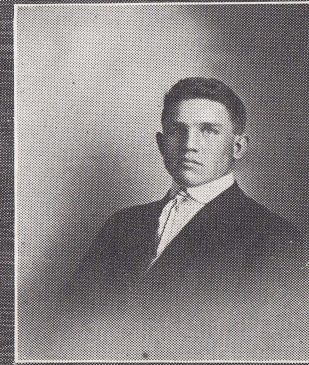
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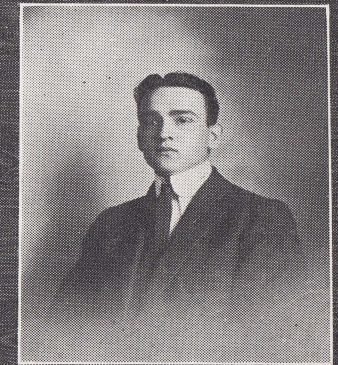
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J. Monroe Hayden



Edgar Jensen

Robert M. Dennis: Treasurer Senior class, '15; member Zetaethan society.

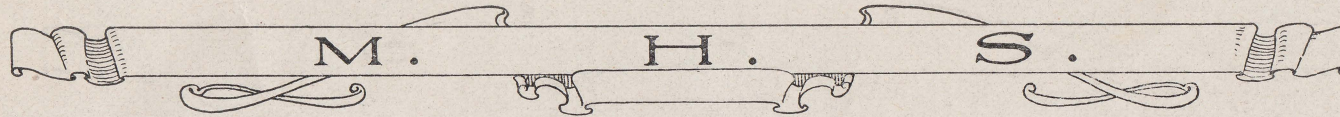
Geo. B. Ferree: Graduated from Junior class at Grant Park, '14; member Basket Ball team, '14-'15.

Fred H. Evans: Graduated from Junior class, Grant Park H. S., '14.

J. Monroe Hayden: Graduated from Junior class, Grant Park H. S., '14.

Edgar Jensen: Vice-President Class of '15; member of orchestra, '13-14; member of Track Team, '14-'15; manager Basket Ball team '15.

Charles A. Stevens: Treasurer Sophomore class '13; president Junior class '14; president Athletic Association '14; Captain Basket Ball team '14; treasurer Lecture Course '14; president Senior class '15; president Athletic Association '15.



Just A Glance.

T. L. PETERSEN, '15.

The last warning whistle had sounded, friends bade friends a tearful farewell, the gang-plank was drawn up, and the steamer, Marguerite, which had been repaired and in use the last ten years, slowly plowed its way out of the harbor, and the greatest ambition of my life was slowly being fulfilled. I was taking a long wished-for journey. I was leaving Momence, after long, monotonous years spent there since graduation, and was crossing the Kankakee to attend a house-party given by Margaret Nelson to all her old classmates, at Sandbur Cottage, in the sandridges near Hopkins Park.

As we sailed across the blue expanse of water, Momence, the place where the old Class of '15 had passed so many delightful hours, slowly faded from view. The towers of the old school house, whose ancient halls still echoed with the sounds of "lofty cheer," disappeared, and I turned with almost a sigh of regret to enter my stateroom when I was startled by hearing one of the sailors rush toward me with outstretched hand.

"Why, hello, Pete! Where in the world did you come from? How did you leave things in your part of Momence?"

Well, you can imagine my surprise when I saw it was—Edgar Jensen.

Of course we had a good many things to talk over, not having met for several years, for he lived more in the business district and I in one of the suburbs of Momence.

He was now working his passage over on the Marguerite during his vacation from his duties as chef at Theodore's restaurant, where his hamburgers were the delight of all the patrons. He was also on his way to the house-party.

"And did you know Aimee was on board, also?" he asked.

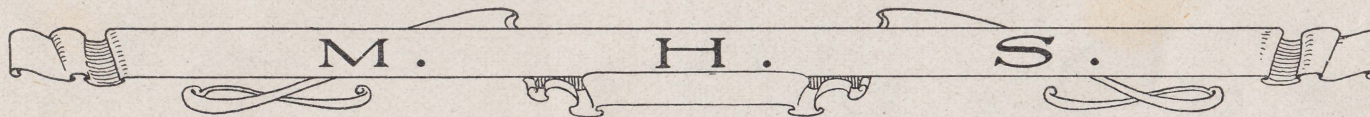
"No, indeed! Is she?" I cried incredulously. "What has she been doing all these years?"

"Why, you know she is one of the head waitresses," (I later learned that she was the only waitress,) "at our restaurant. But here she is, and can tell you all about herself." Sure enough, here came Aimee, and she was accompanied by Ruth Boswell, who was parlor maid of the ship's chief saloon.

"Welcome to our pleasant city," they shouted, as they caught sight of me. "And are there any more of us on board?" they inquired later when greetings were a thing of the past.

"I'm sure I don't know," said Edgar, "we might travel over the boat and see. "I saw Phillip in the bank yesterday; he is cashier at Heartbreaker's, you know, and he said he was going to Sandbur Cottage today, but I don't know whether on this boat or not. But let me introduce you to our captain."

He led us to the cabin where he introduced us to the first woman to become the captain of a ship. It was Lucy Brown! For she was 'captain of the Marguerite that sails



the Kankakee.' It never rains but it pours. Traveling with her as companion was Viola Evans.

Later, Lucy conducted us personally about the boat. Upon entering the kitchen, Ruth suddenly exclaimed, "Why, isn't that Clay H. there, washing dishes?" Sure enough, it was. Another was added to our ranks, because our lady captain at once excused him from his duties, so that he might have the pleasure of being together. When we went to the lower deck we came upon a familiar figure, yet disguised by the clothing worn. He was an immigrant of the lowest type, and proved to be Charles Steevens.

As it began to grow late, we all retired to our state-rooms to dress for dinner. At the table we were served by Fred Evans and by Hazel McConnell, who always aspired to be one of New York's "400." That dinner resembled some of our receptions at High school in Philo hall. There was no restraint, and joy was unconfined.

That evening for our edification, an entertainment was given. Among the numbers were the Gertrude Hoffman Glide, resurrected by society, and Fairy Dances. They were given by Margaret Greenawalt, who bids fair to rival even Madam Pavlowa. Another number was a short comedy, "Something Must have Happened to Ole." The leading lady in this was Gertrude Smith. This did not surprise me much, as, you remember she was always partial even to the title; in fact, it was her favorite byword. I learned later from the girls that this was not her usual occupation, for she was the superintendent of a manufacturing plant, which produced one of the most convenient

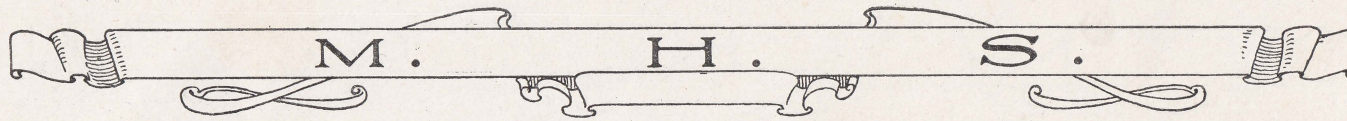
defensive weapons ever made. They have proven a boon to mankind, owing both to their efficiency and ease with which they may be handled. After these numbers, moving pictures were the treat. In these appeared our old friend, "The Queen of the Movies,"—Lora Simonds.

The next day we landed at the South Side Harbor where we disembarked and took airships for Sandbur Cottage. Among the passengers was Robert Dennis, whom we had not seen, because he, being a modern Croesus, necessitated his having a body-guard and remaining in seclusion.

Arriving at our destination, we were met by our hostess, together with Elva DuBridge and Pauline Nichols, who were assisting in the receiving line, having arrived some time before. Elva had proven more fortunate than the rest of us mortals, as she was the only one who had met the idol of her dreams. Pauline needs no word here to depict her career; everyone remembers what a hit she made last year in vaudeville at Exline, as chorus girl.

That evening a grand ball was given at which all the class was present. Among the orchestra were two old friends, Monroe Hayden, playing the hand organ, and George Ferree, the mouth harp.

At luncheon, after the last course had been removed, toasts naturally followed, the last of which was given by Hilton Nichols, who by the way, had won fame by going about the country selling patent medicine. He always aspired to be a State Senator, but alas—*dis aliter visum!* After giving one of his delightful talks, he finished by saying: "So here's to the class which has brought glory and fame to the Momence High School—the Class of '15.



The New School Building.

By CLYDE L. TABLER.

One of the greatest, if not the greatest need of Momence has been fulfilled this year, and thanks to the vote of School District No. 42 who have made it possible.

Momence had outgrown its schools and had rented two rooms at the Momence Town Hall and one room at the Ganeer Town Hall to take care of the overflow. The greatest trouble with these temporary quarters was that it left the children too much on the streets during intermissions, with danger of accidents by passing autos. For some years the problem of getting the Primary pupils out of the basement of the Central building has been talked about. The poor light was one of the faults with these three rooms, and the over-head heating another. They were considered injurious to the children's health and sight.

The new building now under construction is 100 feet long and 62 feet deep. The basement has a gymnasium 35x68 feet and 14 feet high, with toilets for boys and girls on either end, the walls of these three rooms being of Tiffany enameled brick, full height. There are also two play rooms, one for the boys and one for the girls, 23x38.6 feet. The entire basement has a concrete floor.

The three entrances are of concrete construction with Tiffany enameled brick walls, and the corridors on first and second floors have re-inforced concrete floors and the walls are wainscoted four feet high with Tiffany enameled brick. There is a drinking fountain at each end of the corridor on both floors. The walls of the corridors

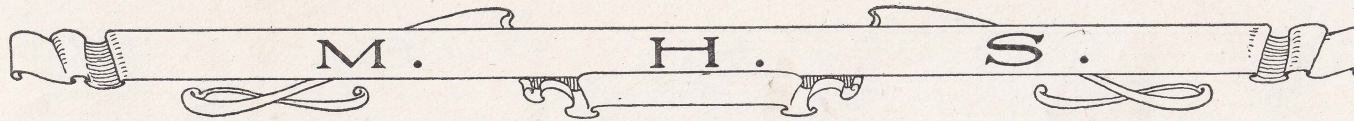
and entrances are all of fireproof construction, brick and pyrobar. On the first and second floors the floor plans are identical, four class rooms 23x32.6 feet, and a smaller room 18.6x23 feet on each floor, thus giving us eight class rooms and an office and library in the new building. The stairs leading from the first to the second floor are also of re-inforced concrete construction.

The rooms are lighted from one side only, the seats being arranged so the pupils get the light over their left shoulders. The cloak room at the end of each class room has no entrance from the corridor. The pupils go through the class room to the cloak room, which enables the teacher to see anything that is carried in or out of the cloak room.

The building has what is known as the direct-indirect system of ventilation, and is electric lighted throughout. It is heated by steam. The west basement room of the old building is converted into a boiler room and both buildings are heated from one plant. Two new boilers are being installed.

The face brick were bought from the Thomas Moulding Co., who operate the Tiffany Enameled Brick works at this place.

The contracts were awarded on February 26th, and it was pleasing to know that our home contractors were the low bidders, which assured work for our town people and kept the money at home. Mr. Henry Halpin was awarded the contract for the general construction; the Momence Plumbing & Heating Co. was awarded the plumbing and heating contract, and C. C. Johnson secured the contract to wire the building. It will be a good, modern school building, and one of which Momence can justly be proud.



Obituary of Senior Class.

By EVA DUFRAIN.

Terrible Accident—Struck by Train.

In September, 1911, the Senior class was struck by the 20th Century train (of thought) "High school," which runs through the tunnel "Study" on the "Educational Elevated Railroad," and were carried on the cow-catcher "Hard Work" for four years. The bodies were found this year, 1915, at the station "Graduation," where the train "High School" stops. Some of the bodies were somewhat bruised, and one showed the scar of a black eye, another a broken thumb, and another a sprained ankle. After a thorough investigation, it was agreed (upon) that almost instantly the Seniors had passed away and their souls had entered the "School Spiritland."

Remains Will be Taken Away.

Upon discovery of the bodies, Coroner Saltzgiver was summoned and the examination held. Part of the remains will be buried in this county, and the others will be shipped on the larger locomotive "College" to the cities "B. A." and "A. M.," where are their friends Madam Fortune or Miss Fortune.

A Greater Accident Avoided.

If these bodies had not weighted down the cow-catcher, it is thought that the "High School" would have had a greater wreck, and all the passengers, "Faculty," would have been entirely annihilated. Thus the "E. E. R. R." is so grateful to this class that they will have a great funeral at the———church and burial, and monuments bearing these joyful words:

Aimee Bigelow—Her name describes Mr. Wheeler's shoe.

Lucy Brown—Content to love but not to work.

Elva DuBridge—I attend the "Runaway June."

Robert Dennis—A second Cicero.

Fred Evans—A native of Grant Park.

Viola Evans—My books are my kingdom.

George Ferree—I am such a reckless flirt.

Margaret Greenawalt—'Tis remarkable that those who talk most have the least to say.

Clay Hayden—Clay can run all right, all right.

Monroe Hayden—Assume a virtue if you have it not.

Ruth Boswell—The preacher's daughter.

Edgar Jensen—I'm sure my love's not more ponderous than my tongue.

Hazel McConnell—I don't like a man unless he's from Germany or Sweden.

Hilton Nichols—Way down in the "Grade Rooms."

Pauline Nichols—Only one Sweet is left me.

Margaret Nelson—To be slow in words is woman's only virtue.

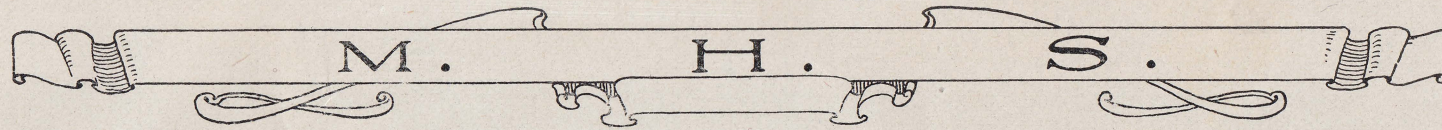
Lucille Peterson—I'm not the role of common women.

Lora Simonds—The human phonograph.

Philip Sweet—I will awake some morning and find myself great.

Chas. Steevens—Fools admire, but men of sense approve.

Gertrude Smith—Oh, keep me innocent; make others great.



The Junior.

Who is the mainstay of the school?
Who plays the Freshie for a fool?
Who always takes things calm and cool?
The Junior.

Who stars on an athletic team?
On whom do the Profs. always beam?
And who is all that he may seem?
The Junior.

Who leaves his bed at midnight hour
To swipe some colors from the tower,
And makes opponents cringe and cower?
The Junior.

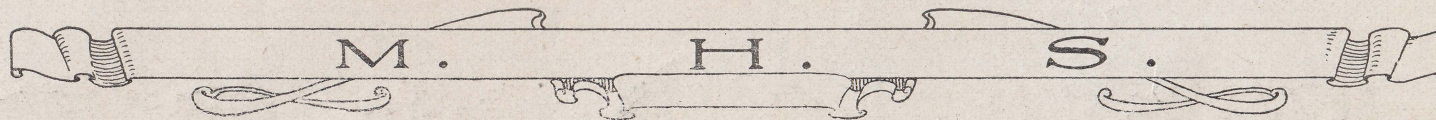
When Kankakee and M. H. S.
Come out to raise an awful mess,
Who shows them yet another guess?
The Junior.

Who has a mind that's quick and keen?
Who in the office ne'er is seen?
Who never does a thing that's mean?
The Junior.

Who swipes the Senior's hidden feed
And eats it while he has them treed,
And tells them air is what they need?
The Junior.

Who'll sorry be when he must pass
Next year into the Senior class,
And solemn be, as if at mass?
The Junior.

Then here is to that mighty one
Who loves his work and loves his fun,
And has so many great things done.
The Junior.



Junior Class Roll.

Officers.

President	Gerald Manzer
Vice-President	Viola DuFrain
Secretary-Treasurer	Florence Bright
Historian	Paul Nelson
Student Council	Marie Seavey

Motto—Success means Sacrifice.

Colors—Old Rose and Ivory.

Flower—Lily of the Valley.

Members.

Fay Ault	Paul Nelson
Leora Bishop	Martha Searls
Florence Bright	Marie Seavey
Lyle Brown	Mildred Storrs
Clara Dixon	Dorothy Styles
Viola DuFrain	Hazel Taylor
Gerald Manzer	Elva Turrell
	Fred Melby



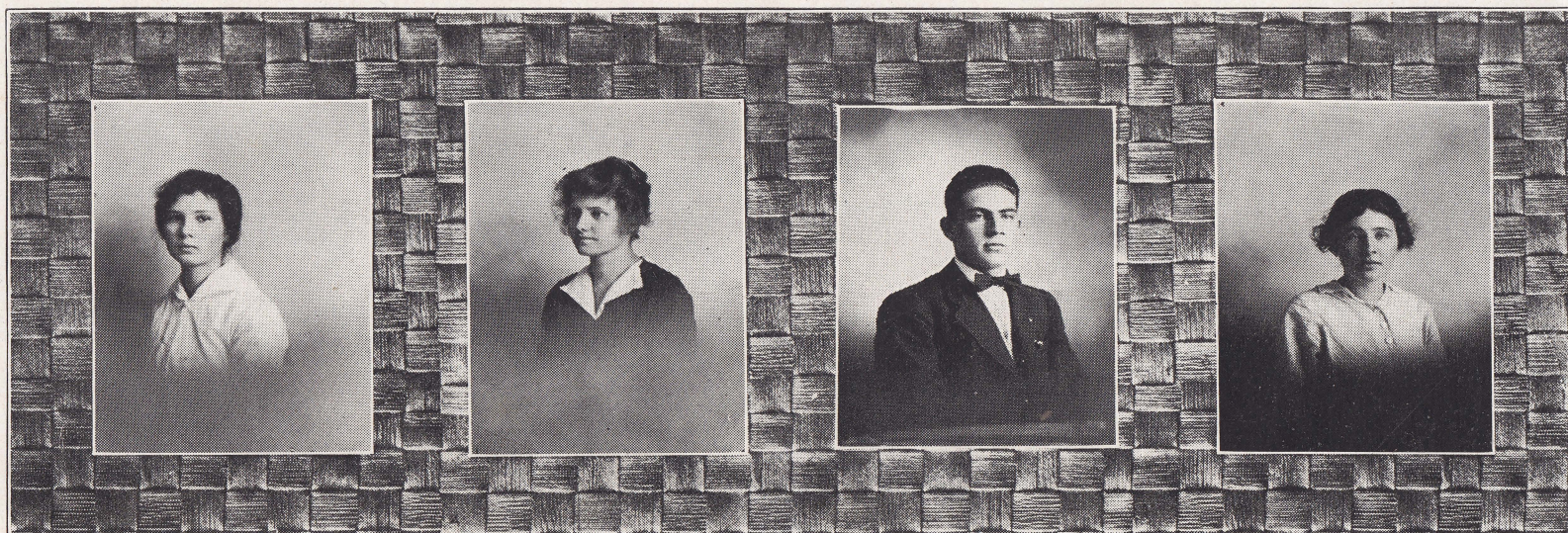
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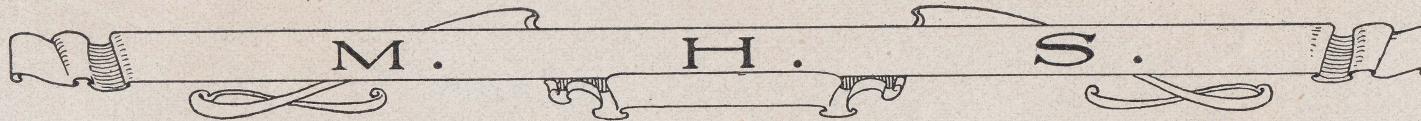
Paul Nelson

Leora Bishop



Marie Seavey

Viola DuFrain



Junior Class Prophecy.

By PAUL NELSON.

It had been fourteen years since the Wilds of Alaska had attracted me to that far-away region of the goldfields. One day there came the longing to visit my home town and learn of my former classmates. Although I had kept in touch with the home news, I was not prepared for the great changes that had taken place during my absence.

Arriving at the Momence station, I took the street car to the center of the bustling city. From the car window I recognized Florence Bright as the woman who was sweeping the walks of a cozy looking bungalow. I also saw a large billboard advertising "Ault's Big Circus," which was to be in town that very day. Since I knew that he was experienced with animals on a farm, I was determined to see his show.

After the close of the afternoon performance, I had a visit with him and learned from him the whereabouts of the members of my class of 1916. He informed me that Dorothy Styles and Viola DuFrain were managing a young ladies' seminary in California, which had a reputation equal to that of Vassar college. While he was traveling with his circus through the West, he came to an Indian Reservation, where there was a great commotion. This was caused by three suffragettes, who were trying to promote the cause of Woman's Rights among the Indians. They did not, however, take to this form of civilization. These women, who were Mildred Storrs, Elva Terrell and Leora Bishop, had to seek other fields for the advance-

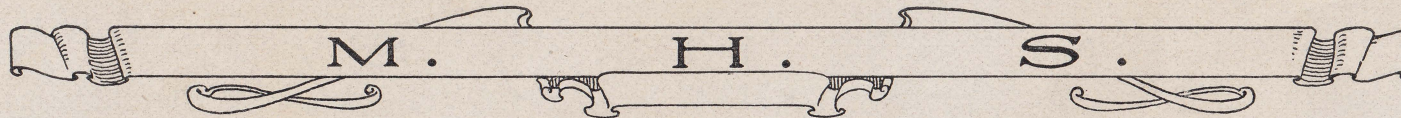
ment of their ideas.

While Ault's show was in the East, he saw a tall gentleman feeding peanuts to his elephants. On closer inspection he found him to be Fred Melby, who told him that he and Gerald Manzer were conducting one of the largest sardine factories of the world. He learned from him that Marie Seavey and Joe Fingerhut were traveling as musicians for the Redpath Lyceum Bureau, while Clara Dixon accompanied as soloist.

Martha Searls and Hazel Taylor, who always had ambitions to go abroad, were now fashion experts in Paris. Lyle Brown was the teacher of mathematics at Yale.

I was pleased to find that all my classmates were prosperous and had lived up to their motto, "Success means Sacrifice."





Sophomore Class Roll.

Officers.

President.....	Harold Cromwell
Vice-President.....	Martina Condon
Secretary and Treasurer.....	John Gelino
Historian.....	Jack Clegg
Student Council.....	Gladys Jackson

Motto—B Sharp, B Natural and never B Flat.

Colors—Pale Green and White.

Flower—Chrysanthemum.

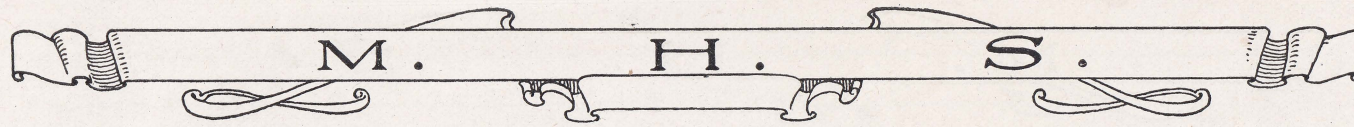
Members.

Jack Clegg.
Martina Condon.
Harold Cromwell.
Dorothy Durham.
Vivien Edwards.
John Gelino.
Lucy Hupp.
Alice Hardy.
Gladys Jackson.
Anna Johnson.
Ellen Johnson.
Ruth Johnson.

Lulu Knaur.
Irene Lunt.
Amy Mattocks.
Harold McKee.
Harry-Payne.
Florence Pittman.
Ollie Slagle.
Richard Smith.
Alice Stone.
Silas Storrs.
Victor Taylor.

Sophomore Class





Sophomore Class Prophecy.

By JACK CLEGG.

One nice summer day in the year 1925, as I was flying in my aeroplane, I discovered that I was completely out of gasoline, so I was forced to volplane to earth. I glanced down to see where I would light, and saw a large school campus on which there were many athletes training. When I alighted they came from all sides to see my machine. Among them I saw a familiar face, but could not recall his name until I heard one of his classmates call him "Geno." After a hearty hand-shake he told me he was now a student at Yale.

Having eaten a lunch, he took me to his room where I met his roommate, "Si" Storrs. After another hand-shake we sat down, and I here learned the mysteries of the Class of '17.

I learned from them that Anna Johnson was a Latin instructress of the same university, and I later learned from her that her sister, Ellen, was manicuring on State street, Chicago. Miss Johnson also told us of her friends, Lulu K. and Dorothy Durham, the former being cashier in the Momenca Farmer's bank, while the latter was running for mayor in the same city against Amy Mattocks.

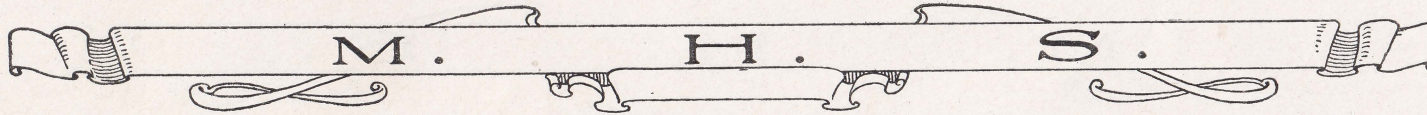
On resuming my conversation with John and "Si," I learned that Victor Taylor had just defeated Joey Ray as the world's champion mile runner. My friends not knowing about any more of the class, told me that they would accompany me to Miss Condon's residence, (she being coach of the girl's athletic club of Yale,) where I might be able to learn more concerning my old classmates.

John phoned McKee's garage, which by the way was Harold McKee, from whence a Ford, driven by Vivian Edwards, came and took us to Miss Condon's. Having spent the afternoon with Miss Condon, we learned about the following:

Florence Pittman is running a millinery store in Momenca. Irene Lunt and Robert McKinstry are missionaries in the wilds of South America, while Alice Stone and Richard Smith are employed by the state as critics. Harry Payne has entered the ring and is the undisputed champion of Momenca. Ruth Johnson is the happy bride of a former M. H. S. Freshman. Harold Cromwell is running a gambling house in Whitaker. Lucy Hupp has recently won a grand prize in a beauty contest as being the prettiest lady in the U. S., while Alice Hardy is leading a large orchestra in New York.

On leaving the house, I saw a parcel fall from the back of an electric car. I hailed the driver, picked up the parcel and carried it to the machine, and to my surprise I saw Gladys Jackson seated in the car. She did not recognize nor thank me for what I had done, but merely said, "Home, James," and the car sped on.

I was certainly pleased with the success I had this day, and also for the successes of the Class of '17.



The Value of a Smile.

English II---By EDITH BRADLEY.

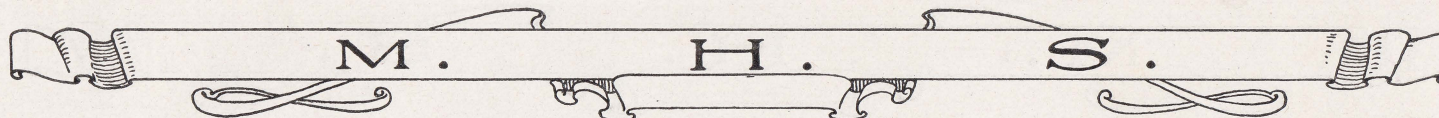
"Shmile und the world shmiles mit you;
Laugh, und the world vill roar,
Howl, und the world vill leaf you,
Undt neffer come back any more.
For all of us couldn't been handsome,
Nor all of us vear fine clothes;
But a shmile vas not exbensive,
Und covers a world of woes."

This little verse exactly expressed Nora Coburn's ideas. She had found it in one of her father's magazines several weeks before. Nora was ten years old, but much smaller than other children of her age, for she had been a cripple ever since the railway accident four years ago that had killed her father and mother. Her little body was so twisted that she had to sit all day long in a wheel-chair. She had to be lifted from her bed to the chair, then wheeled from room to room or out on the porch, which ever she preferred. But she caused her grandparents very little trouble, for she was always happy and contented, always smiling. She was seldom seen without some kind of work in her hands, making little gifts for her friends or helping her grandmother prepare vegetables for dinner. Everyone in the village knew Nora and nearly every one loved her. She very faithfully lived up to her nickname, "Smiles." When the little ones had toys to mend they took them to her, and even the older persons went to her to be cheered up.

When I said that nearly everyone in the village loved

little Nora, I was not thinking of one of the largest boys in school who seemed to hate the very sight of her because she was always happy, while he was always in some trouble. This boy's name was Frank Dalas. He lived at the edge of town with his father and stepmother, who did not treat him as he thought he should be treated. Since he received little sympathy or encouragement at home in regard to his school work, which he did not understand, he shirked it and had, just lately, been expelled from school. Whenever Frank passed the Coburn Cottage and saw Nora smiling at him from the porch, it made him very cross to see her so happy and contented. He had heard from a good many people of late that if anyone wanted to learn to smile and forget his troubles, he went to Nora Coburn and asked her to teach him.

One bright spring morning as Frank was passing Nora's home, he first scowled at Nora's smile, then turned in at the gate, stalked up the narrow path, and sat down dejectedly on the bottom step of the porch. After her bright questions concerning his trouble, he told his story in a gloomy manner. She explained that a smile would help to drive away gloomy thoughts even if he did not feel like smiling at first; and she soon had him laughing about her little German dialect verse. She promised him that she would help him on the road to optimism if he would come every bright day and wheel her about the garden for half an hour after school, for her grandfather was not strong



enough to lift the chair to the ground, and there was no money to hire someone else to do it. Frank half-promised, and went away smiling for the first time in weeks, and repeating the little German verse to himself.

When Frank entered the home kitchen that afternoon, he was still smiling. He was so good-natured and obliging that his stepmother had only to ask him to do some chores for her and he did them willingly. His cheerfulness so brightened the evening meal that his father promised him that if he would go back to school, behave himself, and try to prepare his lessons properly, he would buy the beautiful Indian pony for him that he had been wanting for more than a year. At first the boy did not like the idea of going back to school, but on second thought he decided to accept his father's bargain, and also Nora's promise to help him.

The following morning, Frank went to school, but did not get along very well, for he found that owing to his absence he was behind his class. When at last the long day was over, he remembered to smile as he walked along the street toward the Coburn Cottage. Nora was expecting him, and he lifted the tiny wicker chair down to the gravel walk and wheeled her out among the roses.

After Frank's first lesson in cheerfulness, he could be seen nearly every afternoon with his little crippled friend, she teaching him the art of being cheerful and explaining the habits and names of the plants and birds in the garden.

So, the smile and bright words of one little girl helped this boy to begin again, and no one knows how many other people she had helped in the same way.

The Year Book Banquet.

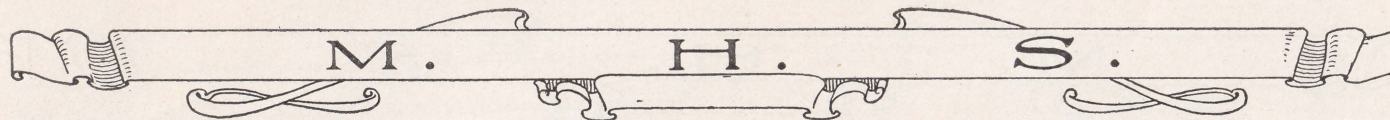
The Year Book contest opened January 23, 1915. The Rose side led by Victor Taylor took an early lead and came out victorious over the Ivory, lead by Martina Condon.

The banquet, which was given by the losing side, was held in the Philomathian Hall, February twelfth, the hall being very tastily decorated with High school colors and with pennants. A two-course supper was served in the early part of the evening, consisting of the following menu: Banana salad, pimento sandwiches, olives, pickles, coffee, ice cream, and cake.

Between courses, toasts were given by the following persons: Miss Lora Simonds filling her place as toast mistress in a very creditable manner; Victor Taylor, Miss Martina Condon, Edgar Jensen, Gerald Manzer, Miss Dorothy Smith, Mr. E. E. Wheeler, Mr. Johnston and the Misses Slough and Stallings.

After supper different games were played, but the most interesting one was "Hearts and Mittens" in which John Condon and Miss Stallings proved to be the greatest heart winners. After a late hour the crowd adjourned, well pleased with the success of the evening.





Parent-Teacher Association.

By O. BIGELOW.

The association during the current year has fully maintained the interest and enthusiasm which was manifested during 1914. The programs for the year have been of an exceptionally high character. The entertainment feature alone was very fine for each meeting, and should more than repay anyone for attendance. While no regrets for a lack of attendance can be consistently made, it should be impressed upon the minds of the parents of this city that by staying away from the Parent-Teacher meetings they are missing a liberal education in the very able papers which have been presented at these meetings during the past, and which there is every reason to believe will continue to be presented in the future.

If the foregoing reasons for attending these meetings do not appeal to all, there are others of higher and more vital importance, which should influence any parent, or, all parents. One of these is the fact that the Parent-Teacher association is a modern institution, and came into existence for the reason that there was a real need for such an organization, to the end that the parents could help carry some of the burden of educating the children and not, after paying their taxes, throw the entire responsibility onto the teachers.

To the association is largely due the credit of the passage of the bond issue of \$25,000.00 for the erection of a new building which was badly needed. Vocational training is the next problem. And unless the parents of this

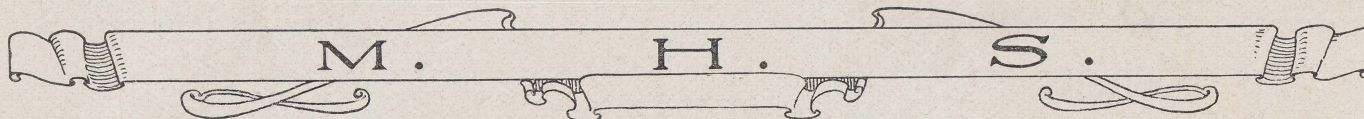
city are willing to see their children handicapped in the struggle for existence they must get behind this movement and insist that vocational training be adopted in the quickest possible time in the schools of Momence.



List of Superintendents.

The following is a list of the superintendents who have served in the schools since the organization of the High school. The list may be incomplete, and in some instances incorrect, but it was the best that we could get.

G. H. White	1875-1877
L. C. Fuller	1877-1878
H. C. Paddock	1878-1879
Miss M. C. Wilcott	1879-1880
R. A. Beebe	1880-1883
Miss M. C. Wilcott	1883-1884
L. S. Rowell	1884-1886
I. W. Evans	1887-1889
H. P. Little	1889-1903
R. E. Selby	1903-1909
B. A. Winans	1909-1911
R. J. Walters	1911-1914
T. R. Johnston	1914-



Freshman Prophecy.

By MARIAN STYLES, '18.

One summer day in the year 1935, as I alighted on the top of a Chicago department store, I noticed in another aeroplane my friend, Lucy Hayden. She had just started down stairs when I overtook her. I had not seen her for several years, and she told me that she was now living on the North Side, along the Lake Shore, as a companion to an old lady. She had just returned home from Europe. We went down stairs and came upon Edith Bradley, who was up from her large and prosperous farm near Grant, for a day's shopping. She told us that her brother Howard, was editor of the Press-Reporter, in Momence. Then we naturally started talking about the members of the Class of '18.

During our talk, I learned that Gladys and Belle were running the politics of Momence; Walter had made the Kankakee river famous by his poetry; Eva D. conducts a large pleasure resort a little distance up the river; Lawrence Benjamin had married "a small Momence maid," and is a noted artist; Evelyn F. was living up the river with her cats in a pretty little cottage.

Florence S. and Ida T. had a beauty parlor on Court street in Kankakee. Stanley and Edward had a second-hand store next door. Vera was playing in the theatre there, also.

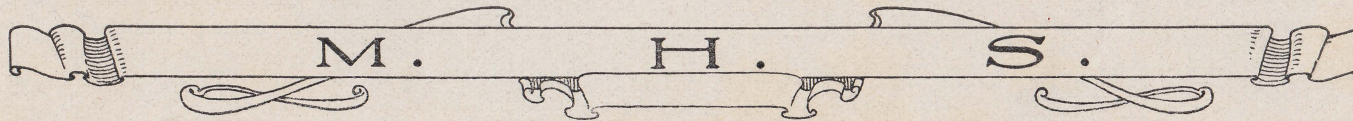
Wilhelmina was a school teacher and looked very severely over her glasses at her pupils. Dorothy Smith, having had very good practice presiding over the Freshman class, was President of the U. S. Federation of Wo-

man's Clubs. Henry S. was a noted cartoonist for the Chicago Herald. Edith Lamport was writing jokes for the Ladies' Home Journal.

Several of our class were in Europe. Wilma was in Paris learning to design Paris gowns, and Beulah was there learning fashionable dressmaking. Harold was in Paris also. Pearl M. was making woman's suffrage speeches in England, and was a very popular speaker. Ida K. had lately developed a wonderful voice, and was in Italy studying for the Grand Opera.

I do not think that we fully appreciated the fine talent for acting we had in our class. Lawrence R. was taking the part of Tom Thumb in a series of fairy tale plays. Rose was a motion picture actress. Willabelle was on the stage, and played many leading parts. Dorothy N. was a snake charmer.

Grace, Norma and Ruth were touring the country as a concert company. People go miles to hear and see them. John C. was a great politician, and was making speeches all over the country. Robert was a professor of Physiology in Harvard. Helen was teaching Latin in Grant, which is now a large town. Lura is superintendent there. Evelyn M. is a physical culture teacher in St. Anne. A little later in the day, as we went down the street, a newsboy approached us selling papers. I bought one and the headlines announced Verne to be the inventor of an excellent dishwasher and wiper. F. Tomas & Co. will manufacture them.



Freshman Class Roll.

Officers.

President	Dorothy Smith
Vice-President	Willabelle Wiltse
Secretary	Rose Hyrup
Treasurer	Wilhelmina Fedde
Historian	Marian Styles
Student Council	John Condon

Motto—Strive to Succeed.

Colors—Blue and Gold.

Flower—Forget-Me-Not.

Members.

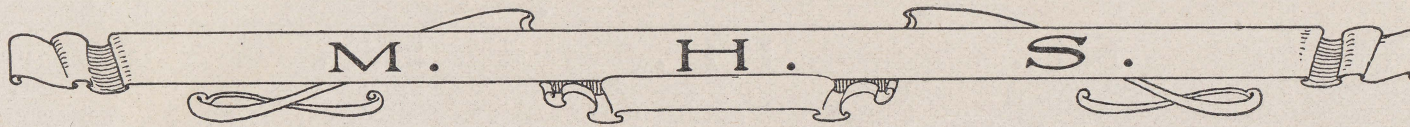
Lawrence Benjamin
Edith Bradley
Howard Bradley
Vera Burns
Edward Bydalek
Vern Cantway
Stanley Chandler
Wilma Clark
John Condon
Eva DuFrain
Evelyn Faucher
Wilhelmina Fedde

Harold Graves
Lucy Hayden
Rose Hyrup
Ida Kurtz
Belle Lunt
Edith Lamport
Pearl Munyon
Dorothy Newsam
Lura Nelson
Robert Nichols
Beulah Peterson
Ruth Porter

Lawrence Renstrom
Henry Seavey
Helen Sharkey
Norma Smith
Grace Styles
Marian Styles
Walter Shannon
Florence Stetson
Ida Timm
Frank Thomas
Willabelle Wiltse
Gladys Younglove

Freshmen Class





Prize Winners in Flower and Vegetable Exhibit.

Best display cut flowers from any room—First prize, auto ride, won by the Fifth grade, Miss Eva Lilly, teacher. Second prize—Tickets to picture show, won by Seventh grade, Mrs. Christensen, teacher.

Best display of vegetables from any room—First prize, auto ride, won by Sixth grade, Miss Gertrude Holmes, teacher. Second prize—Tickets to picture show, won by Miss Belle Rice's room.

Best display of five tomatoes shown by any contestant—First prize, "Little Men," won by Mary Oglesby. Second prize—Pennant, won by Ruby Chizum, Third grade.

Largest tomato shown by a boy—First prize, knife, won by Leslie Cast, Second grade. Second prize—Ball, won by Edward Smith, Second grade.

Best plate of potatoes, any contestant—50 cents, won by Hazel Beyerlein, Sixth grade. Second prize—25 cents, won by Myrtle Nehls, Sixth grade.

Largest potato shown by a boy—Base ball, won by Ernest Nelson, Third grade.

Largest potato shown by a girl—Box of candy, won by Minnie Meadows, Fifth grade.

Largest cabbage shown by a boy—Tie, won by Charles Austin, Fourth grade.

Largest cabbage shown by a girl—String of beads, won by Vernie Klupa, Second grade.

Best display of peppers, any contestant—Book, "Five Little Peppers," won by Arthur Taylor, Third grade.

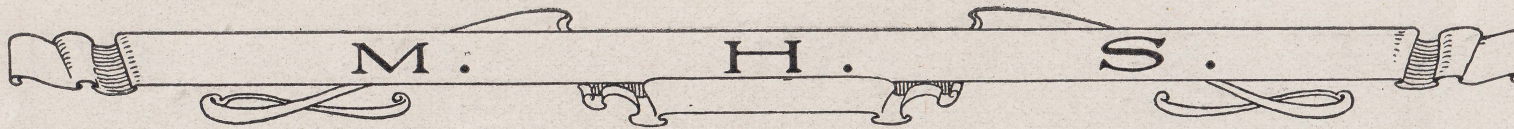
Best display of nasturtiums, any contestant—First prize

50 cents, won by Helen Lundstrom, Fourth grade. Second prize—25 cents, won by Viola Sharkey, Second grade.

Judges appointed by the Woman's Club were Mrs. Ida Shronts, Mrs. B. L. Tabler, Mrs. Mary E. Hall and Mrs. C. A. Wikstrom.



An ice cream social and candy sale was given on the school campus, Friday night, September 25, by the Boys' Athletic Association. The girls helped in serving and managing the social. The campus was prettily decorated with lights. On account of it being so cool, chocolate was served to those who desired it. The boys made about \$17.00 on this event.



Lecture Course.

The lecture course which has been given during the past year has been fully up to the high standard set by these courses in the past. In fact, several competent judges have pronounced it superior to any course which has ever been presented in Momence.

The Clark Concert Company presented the first number on October 21, 1914, and set a high standard for the remaining numbers on the course. The solo work of Mr. Clark, and the violin solos of Mrs. Clark, were excellent.

On December 11, Thomas Brooks Fletcher delivered what several have pronounced the greatest lecture ever given in Momence. His subject was, "The Martyrdom of Fools."

Wallace Bruce Amsbary read several of his poems as the third number, on January 25.

On March 10, the Weatherwax Bros. gave an excellent musical program, consisting of vocal and instrumental quartet work and readings.

The final number was given on April 10, by the Evelyn Barglet Company, and consisted of drawings and cartoon work.

The sale of tickets for the course was not as large as that of last year, owing to the fact that the canvas for tickets had not been made in the spring, as had always been done previously, and also to the fact that the early date of the first number on the program precluded the possibility of a thorough canvas in the fall. This, together with the fact that a higher priced course had been pur-

chased, caused a deficit for the year, which has been made up by a couple of school entertainments.

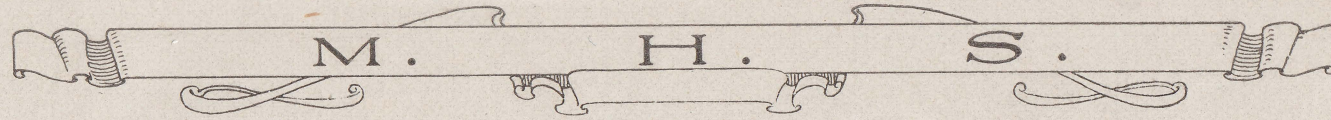
A strong course for next year has been arranged, including a lecture by William Rainey Bennett, readings by Opie Read, a violin concert by the Estelle Gray Company, the reading of one of the modern plays by Miss McLaren, and a humorous entertainment by Manlove. Those who are familiar with the talent have pronounced the course of next year as even better than the excellent course offered this year.



The Students' Council.

The Students' Council is composed of four High school students, from the respective classes. This committee was chosen for the purpose of conferring with the Faculty on questions concerning High school work and discipline. The lecture course, given under the auspices of the High school, is chosen by this council and the Faculty.

The second year of the Student Council has proved to be a success. It shows that our school has progressed to a more democratic one under the faithful guidance of Prof. Johnston.



The Royal Road to Heart's Desire

First Prize, Richard Smith, '17.

Did you ever sit and listen to the raindrops' fitful patter,
Feelin' sort o' blue and thinkin' nothin' seemed to matter?
That's the time you want to look and picture in the fire
The fondest of your hopes—The Royal Road to Heart's
Desire.

What is that road? It is only a path or lane,
And you probably couldn't find it if you looked and looked
again;

Just a dreamway—never ending till it reaches your ideal,
Always fenced with the edge of Sorrow's by-paths barred
with gates of steel.

You may wish to be an artist, mayhaps poet, judge or
man,
Who will write his name among the few, who do and real-
ly can.

Lesser joys, much simpler pleasures, homelier fame may
be your wish,
Nature's presents are abundant from within her golden
dish.

Teacher, doctor, wife and mother, soldier who slays,
Each one beckons, calls you onward down this road of
winding ways.

Heart's Desire? That's ambition, noble words or thoughts
ring true,

Every turn is lined with shadows lying there in wait for
you.

Every by-way, every shelter, every lowland, rut or knoll,

Seems a barrier insurmountable, keeping far away that
goal.

"Feelin' brighter?" Thought you ought to gaze once more
into the fire,

There it lies in all its splendor—The Royal Road to Heart's
Desire.

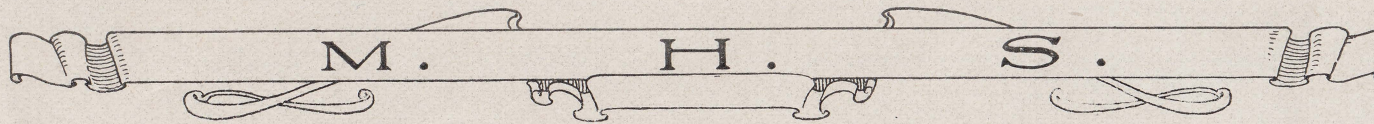
Dreaming.

Second Prize, C. T. Hayden, '15.

When memories come, as memories will,
While the shadows creep o'er the window sill,
So near sometimes, does their presence seem,
As I sit in the firelight's flickering gleam,
That I turn again as in my days of teens,
To clasp a hand of the Class of '15.

Sometimes the strain of an old H. S. song
Will haunt my soul the whole day long.
Till I live again in the golden past,
And when the twilight falls at last,
I almost hear in my dreams
The dear old voices of the class of '15.

And when the lamp of life burns low,
And death's strange fancies come and go,
I wonder then if memories' grace
Will picture still each absent face;
And at last I see a beam
Pointing out the power of the class of '15.

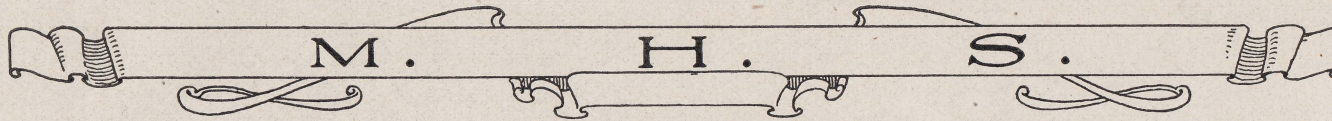


The Freshman Class Meeting.

Third Prize.

'Twas the first of the second week of school,
And following the time-worn rule,
The Freshmen met, both lad and lass,
To choose the officers of their class.
They were all a-tremble and quivering with fear,
(For it was the first meeting of the year.)
The Freshies were in an awful fix
For they didn't understand politics!
Mr. Johnston called them to order, (a difficult thing
to do,)
He told them what they were there for (and not to
look so blue;)
Explained the ballot system, and sent out a husky call,
For nominees for president, the highest office of all.
Dorothy Smith was easily 'lected, and next came the
vice,
The Freshmen thought to fill this place would take
somebody awfully nice;
So who did they choose but Willabelle;—secretary
was next in line,
And I'm sure you'll agree with me, Wilhelmina
will fill this office fine.
Rose Hyrup was placed as treasurer, she carries the
“funds” in a purse,
The Freshmen will buy Christmas presents I guess
(but at that they might do worse.)
Next, a member of the “Student Council.” “What's

that?” they all cried in dismay.
But up jumped little Walt Shannon, and forthwith
saved the day.
“Rats” is the man for the office, three years has he
stuck by the class,
“Rats” hung his head and blushed, and blushed
while the votes were being cast;
They elected him though he protested, the Freshies
had their way,
“Rats” felt so the trials of his office, he quit school
the very next day.
The Forget-me-not for a flower, because the month
was September,
(They also wanted one, I suppose, that everyone
could remember.)
In colors, green and white for sure,
For green they were, and white means “pure.”
“Oh, what can we do for a motto?” All was silence
a while,
(The eager look on Johnnie's face caused everyone
to smile)
Then up spoke John. “I'll tell you one that you will
like, I'll bet,
Why not use this motto, “We're green but we'll
get there yet.”
“You are excused.” A mighty rush, and cries of
“White and Green!”
Forty jolly youngsters—the Class of 1918.



Domestic Science in the Public Schools.

By MRS. OWEN BIGELOW, Chairman Home Economics Dept.,
Momence Woman's Club.

It has, for a long time, been the dream of the Momence Woman's Club to see Domestic Science become a part of the curriculum of the public schools. This year a way seems to have opened up which we hope will lead to better things.

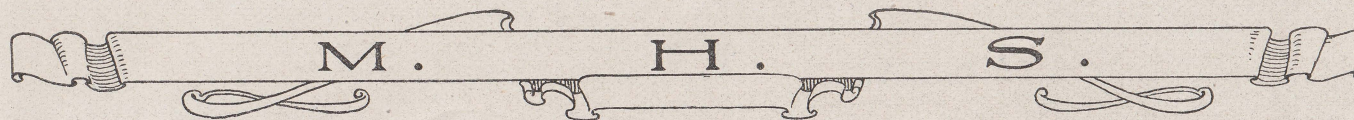
The club voted to buy the equipment if twenty women could be obtained who would be willing to take instruction at twenty-five cents per lesson to help defray expenses, thus making it possible to give it to the school children free. The Board of Education very kindly gave us the use of the laboratory and we went to work. Before the week had passed we had forty-seven names, making it necessary to have two classes instead of one, and practically putting the scheme on a self-supporting basis.

We were very fortunate in securing the services of Miss Mary Wheeler, who teaches Domestic Science in the Kankakee High school, to come to us the first three Saturdays in every month. Twenty-four of the Senior and Junior girls comprise the class which meets at 9:30. One needs only to visit the class to learn how intensely interested these young girls have become in this science, which is such a necessary part of every woman's education. The class is begun by questions on the preceding lesson. Then Miss Wheeler gives a short lecture on the aims and methods of preparing the different foods for the day's lesson,

after which the practical work of preparing and serving the the food is taken up. The girls work in pairs at tables, each table being equipped with a gasoline stove and cupboard containing all the necessary utensils. They expect to be able, before the close of the term, to cook and serve a dinner to the faculty and Board of Education.

For the progress these girls have made, much credit is due Miss Wheeler, who has proven herself a teacher of rare ability.





Annual Banquet of M. H. S. Alumni.

By VARNUM A. PARISH.

The Annual Banquet of the Momence High School Alumni was held in the Baptist church on the 19th of June, 1914. The M. E. orchestra entertained the gathering during the fore part of the evening. William J. Parish presided as toastmaster at the banquet board. The address of welcome was given by C. M. C. Buntain, and it was responded to by Miss Florence Smith. Amos Chamberlain responded to the toast "The Days of Yesterday" in his old time fashion. Harry Hoag was to have given a toast to "Our Honorary Members," but as he was absent Charles Hess spoke in his stead. Mrs. Hilma Kinney responded to the toast "The Enthusiastic Alumnus." Clyde Tabler spoke on "Our Common Goal."

The business meeting was then called to order by the President of the Alumni, C. M. C. Buntain. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Gertrude Hess; Vice-President, Miss Florence Smith; Recording Secretary, Miss Helen Kirby; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Josephine Tiffany; Treasurer, Claude DuBridge; Sergeant-at-Arms, Miss Bessie Brassard; Toastmaster, Jay Garrett.

The new president and toastmaster responded to the insistent demands of the banqueters and made inaugural addresses. After the election, the committee, which was appointed at the meeting in 1913 to re-draft the constitution, made its report. The amendments to the Constitution proposed at the meeting in 1913, were voted upon

and adopted. The Constitution was amended as follows:

The Alumni colors were changed from pink and white to red and white.

Section 1 of Article 3 was amended to read, "All graduates of the Momence High school shall be members of this association."

The annual fee was changed from \$1.00 to 50 cents.

An amendment was added to the Constitution providing that the husbands and the wives of the active members of the association should be honorary members of the association.

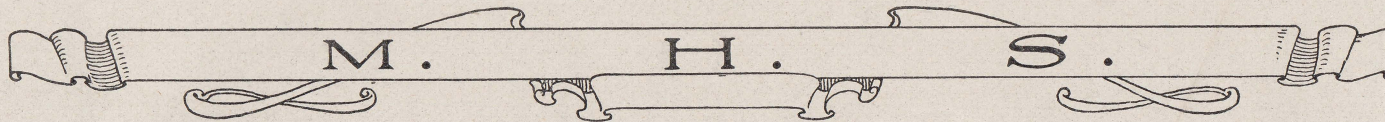
In order to assist the editorial staff of the Momence High School Year Book to obtain material concerning the Alumni, the following committee was appointed to confer with the Year Book staff: Belle Rice, Clyde Tabler and Varnum Parish.

Two members of the association, viz., Varnum A. Parish and Mrs. Hilma Kinney, were appointed to assist the corresponding secretary to prepare a complete list of membership of the association.

A motion was passed providing that the Class of 1914 sing its Class Song, but the Class refused to do so.

The meeting was then adjourned.





Early Momence.

The early settlements of Momence centered at the ford one mile east of the present site of the town. In 1834, Robert Hill took up a claim and built a house on the south side of the river, on the old Military Road. The house was later replaced by "Hill's Tavern." The first post office, called "Lorraine," and a school house were also situated at this place. Many stories have been told about "Hill's Tavern," among them one as to how Hill made change. One evening Hill was enjoying a story with some of his comrades, when a stranger entered and demanded immediate attention. As Hill wouldn't wait upon him, he became so boisterous that Hill gave him a thrashing. The stranger then demanded a justice of the peace. As there was no justice of the peace to be found, the men present said they would form themselves into a jury, as they had seen the assault and would dispense with all red tape. They decided that Hill had struck the man four times, and declared that he should pay the stranger one dollar for each blow, and give him his dinner gratis. Hill ordered the dinner, and after the man had finished eating, Hill handed him a five dollar note. The man said that he could not make the change. "All right," said Hill, "I'll make the change," and struck the man a fifth blow between the eyes that sent him sprawling on the floor.

On July 4, 1837, seventy people gathered on the south bank of the river to celebrate the day. Philip Worcester and Newell Beebe were the speakers. On the bill of fare

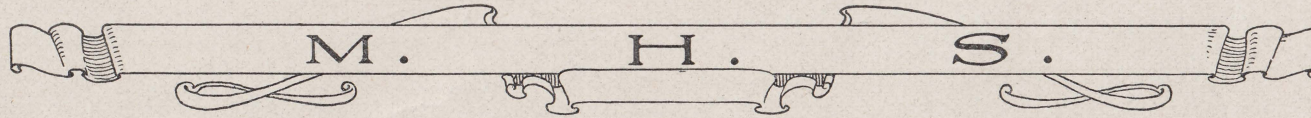
were fish chowder, venison, and the best pie and cake which the community could afford. The day was enlivened by the fun and pranks which the hardy pioneers knew so well how to enjoy.

The building of a bridge over Hill's ford in 1842, was probably the chief factor in establishing Westport as the trading point for this region. This bridge went down during the winter of '44, and was replaced by a better bridge in '46, which, however, lasted only until '49. The destruction of that bridge was the death-blow to the old town, and from that time on Momence came to the front.

Since Momence was the most eastern point at which the Kankakee river was fordable, it was found the gateway for trade and emigration between the settlements in the Wabash valley and at Chicago. The people traveling across the country would often stop for several days for rest and recreation at Momence, on account of the rare beauty of the river and surrounding country.

Sometime later than 1835, Enoch Sergeant opened a "grocery" in one-half of his double log house, which had been built on River street about half way between what are now Range and Pine streets. The chief articles for sale were whiskey and tobacco. As Newell Beebe expressed it, they were "the cheap products of the country." The first general store was not built until about 1847.

Momence consisted of about one square mile of land, which had been granted in a "float" to the Indian chief from whom the city received its name. The chief later



deeded the land to Doctor Todd, who had twelve blocks on the east side of Range street, and surveyed it in 1845. It is thought that the town received its name after this first survey.

When the first settlers came here, Indians were plentiful, yet peaceable. They had been ordered to emigrate to new homes west of the Mississippi river, and in the fall of 1838, the last of them departed. However, bands of them made visits to their former homes for a few years, coming unexpectedly, and departing as they came.

In 1844 a grist mill was built by W. A. Chatfield. This mill was the making of Momence, for it was much easier for the farmers from miles around to bring their grain to Momence to have it ground than to take it to Wilmington, where they were forced to go during the earlier times. This mill was located on the island, about two blocks east of the present wagon bridges, and was run by water power. On the north bank was a saw mill, and many of the buildings yet standing in the city, were constructed from lumber sawed in that mill. The logs were cut, in some instances, many miles up the river and floated down in rafts and sold to the mill owners. In those days log rafting was the regular occupation of some of the early settlers. The old "Hill Tavern" above mentioned, still survives the call of time, having been moved to this city years ago, and stands on the corner north of C. B. Astle's. Most of the roads in this vicinity were similar to those we have today, being very muddy in the spring. However, the Military road from Ft. Dearborn to Ft. Vincennes, and the Michigan road, which came down through the Six

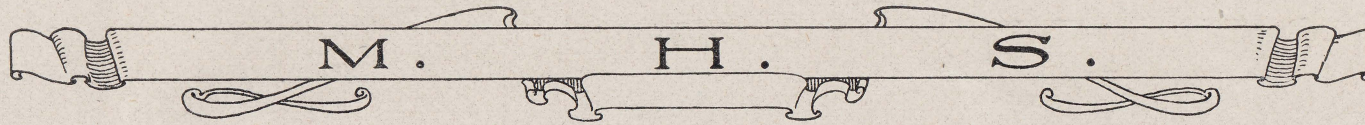
Mile Grove, were the important roads of that time.

When the Whigs came into power in 1849, the postmaster was changed, and the name of the post office became Momence.

In the winter of 1852, the Baptists of the community met and organized the first church of the village. Within the next year they had secured a lot and built their church. They were aided in their building by Mr. Chatfield on condition that the church should be open to those of any denomination for funerals and marriages. It is thought that the Methodist denomination had a greater number of people here, but they had no one to push the work of organization, so they were not organized until several years later.

Just after Kankakee county was organized, an election was called for June 11, 1853, for the selection of a county seat. Many had taken it for granted that Momence would be chosen, for it was the center of population and the largest place within the county limits, and no other trading point had shown any disposition to contest. However, the I. C. railroad company decided that it would be greatly to their advantage to have the county seat at "Kankakee Depot." On the day of the election both sides brought in illegal voters, but the I. C. company were better "on the job," and Mr. A. S. Vail was given three dollars to move the county seat and records to the new location.

One of the curiosities of early Momence for tourists and eastern people, was a sign painted by the "wag sign painter" on the gunshop of A. Louder. It read, "A Louder Gun."



In 1854, Momence had a population of 150 to 200 people. The inhabitants of this village received their mail daily. It came to Kankakee over the I. C. railroad, and from there to Momence by stage. It had formerly come from Bailytown, Ind., west of Michigan City, to Loraine and Bourbonnais, then by a route from Chicago to Bun-kum (Iroquois), being carried on horseback. The growth of early Momence was greatly hampered by a dispute over land titles, which began soon after the first survey, and was not settled until about 1860, from which time the village began to grow.

The surrounding country rapidly became populated by people from eastern and adjoining states, and when the civil war began this community sent many men to the front. This rather stopped progress for a few years, but later things took a better turn. In 1869, the Chicago, Danville & Vincennes railroad, (now the Chicago & Eastern Illinois), was built to Momence, and a new era dawned before the village. Some twelve or fifteen years later the I. I. & I. railroad was built, giving the people a road east and west. The Coal road branch of the C. & E. I., was built from Momence southeast in 1888, and a few years ago the Chicago, Milwaukee & Gary railroad was built to this city from Rockford.

In early times the country east of Momence was a vast swampy wilderness, the breeding place for all kinds of game and wild fowl. It was looked upon as being worthless, as the land was covered with water the greater part of the year. However, by extensive drainage systems the land has been reclaimed, and, where once the silvery

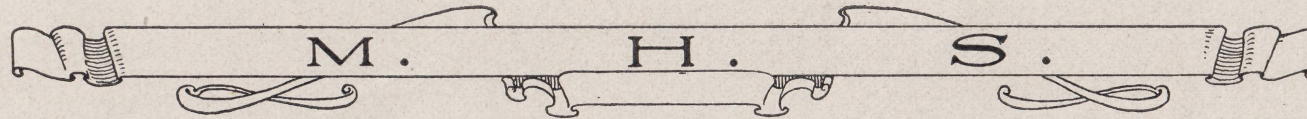
waters rippled, now are seen golden grain fields.

The first manufacturing enterprise to locate at Momence was the Tiffany Pressed Brick Co., which was erected in 1883. Later the company took up the manufacture of enameled brick, and is now known as the Tiffany Enameled Brick Co. The American Ladder Company is another of the city's solid and enterprising institutions.

The first newspaper in Momence was The Momence Reporter. It was founded in 1872, and published for a number of years by J. B. A. Paradis.

The first secret society to be instituted here was about the year 1852, when an I. O. O. F. lodge was organized. It had a good sized membership, but owing the greater part of the members going to the war in the early '60's, the charter was surrendered.





History of the Momence Schools.

During the winter of 1837, the first school in this vicinity was taught in Asher Sergeant's home by Miss Loraine Beebe. The only scholars were the two children of Mr. Sergeant, who were taught for three hours each day.

In the winter of 1838, the school was held in a log house built by William Lacy. Several new families had moved here, so it was necessary to have a larger school. The children living south of the river were ferried across by Miss Beebe, who also lived on the south side.

The first school house of Momence, which stood near Hill's Tavern, was built by A. S. Vail in 1840. Later it was moved across the river to a site just west of the present residence of S. N. Metcalf. Miss Beebe was the teacher, but in 1842-3 or '44, the school was taught by George Cooper, who later became Captain Cooper.

In 1851, the school was held in a house on the west side of Walnut street, between Third and Fourth streets. The late John Bennett taught that winter.

The Brick school house was built about 1854. It stood just north of Mrs. Buntain's residence. It was a cold building, and often the small children cried on account of the cold, and school had to be dismissed. In 1858 many parents took their children out of school, considering the building unsafe for use, but, when some thirty years later they decided to tear it down, they found it almost impossible to do so.

The "white" school house, which stood on the corner of Third and Market streets, was also used about that

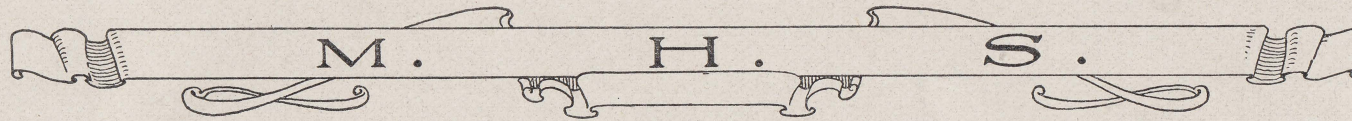
time. It was attended by very unruly boys, who often succeeded in putting the teacher out. For this reason a teacher was often offered higher wages on condition that he could teach the whole year. The school year consisted of four months, between corn husking time and the first of April, when it was again time for the boys to work in the fields. Two teachers sometimes held classes in one room, as one teacher could seldom hear all the classes. The higher branches of studies were not taught very often, although one year there were two Algebra students.

About 1868 or '69, the building where Mr. DuMontelle's restaurant is located, was used for school purposes.

In 1868, a special bill was enacted by the Legislature creating a special school district in the townships of Momence and Ganer, it being two by three miles in size, and called the Momence Union School District.

In 1871, the year of the Chicago fire, the Central school building was erected, costing \$20,000. Zeno Brayton was appointed to superintend the construction of the building. The contractor established a brick yard on the farm north of town, now owned by Mr. Baker. Here he made all the brick used in the building of the school. Mr. Wm. Sweeney, yet a resident of this city, during the construction, fell from the cupola to the basement. He would have been instantly killed if he had not caught at the joists of each floor as he fell, and thus broken the fall.

Only the top story was finished when it was built. Mr. Hinchey was the first principal. After a time, when the



floor was quite worn, a pencil being dropped would fall to the basement. About 1880, the town had grown so much that they needed more room for the school. Mr. L. B. Clark then finished the other two floors.

In 1897, steam heat was put in the Central building, the basement having been finished a few years before by Mr. Andrew Melby. Before the steam heat was put in, the building was heated by hard coal stoves. John Davis, the janitor, was the terror of all the pupils, and he very much enjoyed coming in to fix the stoves during a recitation.

About December 1, 1895, the Loraine school was built by Barsalou Bros. School opened the first Monday in January, 1896, with Miss M. M. Dunn and Miss Maude Chatfield as the teachers.

Until 1896, the schools of Momence were under the direction of three directors. In the spring of that year, the first Board of Education was elected, consisting of a president and six members. Each spring since that time the people have elected a president for one year and two members for three years.

In 1902, the schools were so crowded that they held school in the lower room of the Momence Town Hall. Three years later they opened up another room in the Loraine building, and the Town Hall was abandoned for school purposes.

1913 again saw the schools so crowded that the board was compelled to rent the Momence Town hall once more and open up two rooms. In 1914, the population so increased that the Ganeer Town Hall was also rented and turned into a school room.

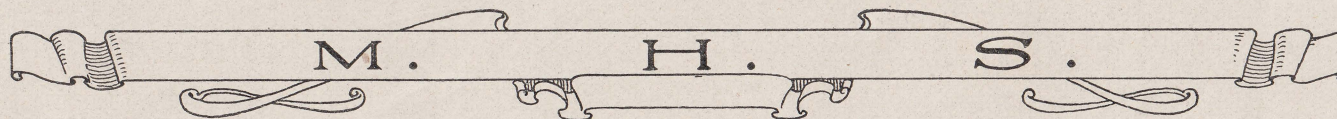
In February, 1915, the people voted to build a \$25,000 grade school, which is now being erected just back of the Central school building. The contract was awarded to Henry Halpin of this city. The building is to have eight school rooms, an office, library, two play rooms, domestic science and manual training rooms, and a gymnasium.

We hope that the school house will be completed in time to commence school the first of September, 1915. It will afford an opportunity of further developing and improving the work of the school. It is hoped that through it, a way will be found to broaden the course in the High school, and introduce more practical work.

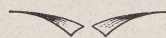
In January, 1899, Mr. Alfred Renstrom was employed as janitor of the Central school, and has given faithful service in that capacity ever since. It is largely due to his care and attention that the building now is in such excellent condition. Mr. Renstrom succeeded Mr. Kious, who had acted as the janitor for about six years.

The High school was organized as a separate department in 1875, by Prof. G. H. White. The first class was graduated from the school in June, 1877, and consisted of seven girls and one boy. The second class was graduated in 1882 under Prof. R. A. Beebe. The third class was graduated in 1892, under Prof. H. P. Little. Since that time a class has been graduated every year except in 1897. The High school course was changed from a three-year to a four-year course in 1897, under the administration of Supt. H. P. Little, which accounts for no class that year.

In 1906, St. Patrick's Academy was erected, and has become an important institution of learning. This school



is principally for girls, yet boys up to eight or ten years of age are admitted. When the Academy was opened, the uniform text book system of the county was adopted, thus enabling the pupils to receive the same studies as those in the public schools. Seven teachers are in charge of the classes at this institution, and a regular High school course may be taken by girls.



Junior Reception to the Seniors.

Among the enjoyable social events of the High school for this season, the Junior-Senior reception given at the home of Miss Dorothy Styles ranks first in point of elaborate arrangement for the pleasure of the guests who were the members of the Junior and Senior classes and the members of the Faculty.

The rooms were decorated in the senior class colors of orange and blue. The entertainment of the evening was an impromptu program by the Seniors followed by various games which made the evening pass in a delightful manner, and at its close and excellent luncheon was served. The menu consisted of veal sandwiches, perfection salad, hot chocolate, cake, ice cream and mints.

Manual Training.

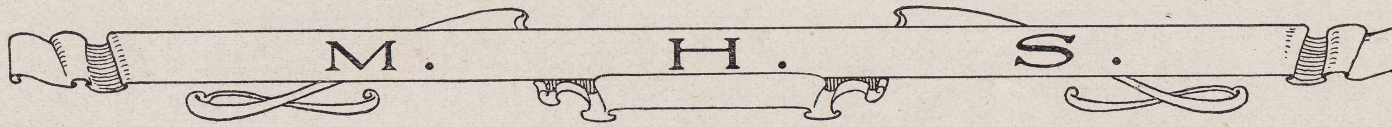
By DEAN N. BEACOM.

Not very many years ago, educators saw the need of training the pupil's hands and eyes as well as his brain. They decided that manual training and domestic science were probably the best subjects that would accomplish this end. Why were these chosen instead of others? In the first place, both act as a kind of recreation for the pupil, for these studies are different from their other work. And, are they not very useful to the boys and girls after they get out into the world?

Manual training is taken up by the seventh and eighth grade boys in the Loraine school. One of the basement rooms, which makes a nice little workshop, is used for this purpose. There are enough tools and work-benches for about twenty pupils. Each pupil pays for the lumber he uses and when his project is finished, it belongs to him. At the time of this writing one pupil is making a bookcase, one a pedestal, another a piano bench, and two others are working on library tables. Some of the simpler projects are as follows: Coat hanger, sleeve board, taboret, tie rack, porch swing, fireless cooker, etc.

Sewing has been installed for the seventh and eighth grade girls, who meet twice each week. This is managed about the same as the manual training, each girl buying the cloth and making what the teacher thinks advisable.

It is hoped that with the completion of the new building a way may be found to give the High school students the benefit of this excellent training.



Oratorical Contest.

The local contest in declamation and extempore speaking, to select representatives of the school in the county and district contests, was held in the Baptist church on Thursday evening, March 25. Six girls and one boy competed in declamation, while two boys competed in the extempore speaking. The contestants in declamation received their training from Mrs. D. E. Styles, while the extempore speakers were trained by Supt. Johnston and Prin. Wheeler. The contestants in extempore were assigned their subjects by lot, and were given one hour in which to present their subjects. Robert Dennis drew, and spoke on the subject, "Neutral Shipping as Affected by the European War," while Richard Smith spoke on "Problems Involved in the Fall of Constantinople." The following was the program given:

Music, "Autumn" High School Glee Club
Extempore.

First Speaker Robert Dennis
Second Speaker Richard Smith
Violin Solo Aimee Bigelow

Declamations.

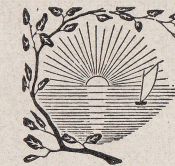
"Midnight in London" Alice Hardy
"Boy Orator of Zepata City" John Condon
"Soul of the Violin" Florence Bright
"Her First Appearance" Martina Condon
"Governor's Last Levee" Lulu Knaur
"The Fiddle Told" Lucy Hayden
"Heart of Old Hickory" Alice Stone

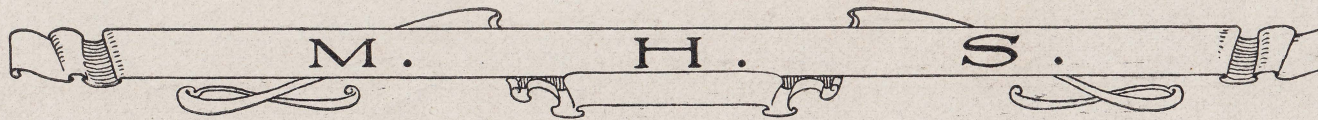
Vocal Solo Miss Mabel Sergeant
Decision of Judges.

Presentation of Cups Prin. E. E. Wheeler

The judges were Supt. Haviland of Watseka, Prin. McCash of Grant Park, and Miss Becker of St. Anne.

A large crowd was in attendance. The contest was close, and the decision of the judges was far from unanimous. The judges gave first place in extempore speaking to Robert Dennis, and in declamation to Martina Condon, who will have custody of the cups for one year, and will represent the school in the county meet. Second place in declamation was given to Lulu Knaur.





Home Talent Concert.

A home talent concert was given in Philo hall on Friday evening, March 19, to make up the remainder of the deficit on the lecture course. An excellent program of vocal and instrumental music and readings was given. A very pleasing feature of the evening's program were the representations of the "Harrison Fisher Girls" by the girls from the High school. The following girls posed to represent certain pictures:

Baby Doll	Lulu Knaur
Country Girl	Hazel Taylor
Winter Girl	Lucy Hupp
Summer Girl	Martha Searls
Auto Girl	Pauline Nichols
Canoe Girl	Florence Bright
Tennis Girl	Lucille Peterson
Garden Girl	Hazel McConnell
Indian Girl	Lora Simonds
College Girl	Gladys Jackson
Colonial Girl	Ellen Johnson
Violin Girl	Aimee Bigelow
Coquette	Dorothy Smith
Bride	Ruth Boswell

The representation of the "Momence Celebrities" had to be abandoned owing to the fact that one of the electric light fuses burned out, making it necessary to conclude the program and show the people from the building by lamp-light. The following program was given:

Piano Trio.....Dorothy, Marian and Grace Styles

Violin Solo	Miss Josephine Tiffany
Reading	Miss Marie Jackson
Music	High School Glee Club
Piano Solo	Miss Carrie Bigelow
Violin Quartet {	Misses Josephine Tiffany, Cloa Harpole, Aimee Bigelow and Lorene Hill
Reading	Miss Clara Dixon
Clarinet Solo	Mr. A. J. Blau

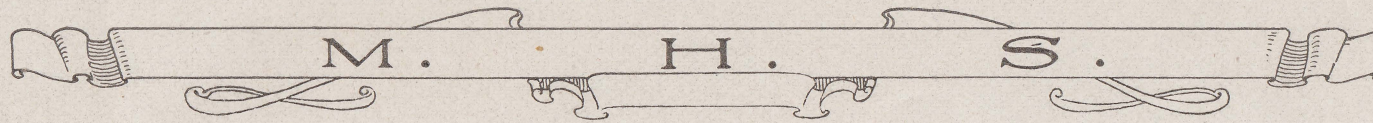


The Tale of a Flunker.

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Invitation
Participation
Conversation
Jollification

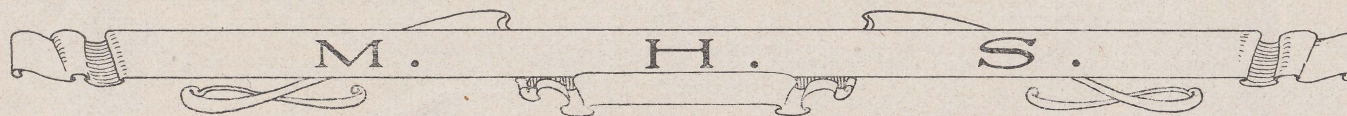
"Much flirtation
Procrastination
Examination
Differentiation
Compensation

"Investigation
Disintegration
Co-operation."



Calendar of Events for the Year.

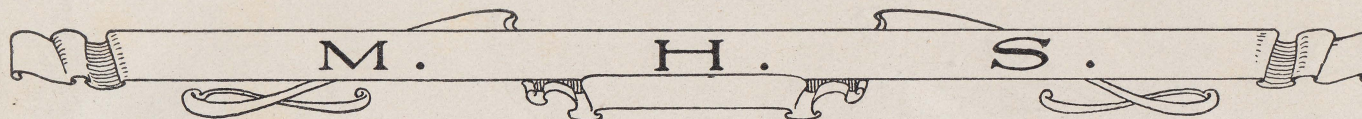
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| August 31. | Registration—old friends meet—enemies ditto | Oct. 1. | Hair—corkscrew style. |
| Sept. 1. | From appearances the feminine half of the faculty considers this St. Patrick's day. | " 2. | Tests! Tests!! Tests!!! |
| " 2. | Why are there so many empty seats? | " 5. | Who has a birthday? |
| " 3. | Former students visit to view remains. | " 6. | Ruth Boswell enters High school. |
| " 4. | Almost everybody goes to fair. | " 7. | Miss Slough elected yell-master in Gen. Ex. |
| " 7. | Labor Day. Where is everybody? | " 8. | James Kirby visits his English IV class. |
| " 8. | Class officers elected. | " 9. | Momence-St. Anne basket ball game. |
| " 9. | Basket Ball team begins practice. | " 12. | Parent-Teacher's meeting. Reno at Baptist church. |
| " 10. | Staff officers elected. | " 13. | Who has been in a fight from appearances, (Miss Slough?) |
| " 11. | Farewell surprise party given to Alta Carse. | " 14. | Report cards. Much crepe in evidence. |
| " 14. | "Star Spangled Banner" has a birthday. | " 15. | "There is no occasion for any talking."—Miss G. K. S. |
| " 15. | Mrs. Shrouts visits her former headquarters. | " 16. | Ditto. |
| " 16. | L. M. F. J's give weiner roast for Alta Carse. | " 19. | The Junior class is rejoicing over the advent of a new pair of long trousers. |
| " 17. | Where is V. E's moustache? | " 20. | Would the Seniors like some more candy? |
| " 18. | Charles awakes with a start. | " 21. | Clarke Concert Co. give first number of lecture course. |
| " 21. | "The Freshmen will play."—T. R. J. | " 22. | John Gelino enjoys his gum and a day off—by request |
| " 22. | Martina gets front seat; her hearing is poor. | " 23. | First literary program. |
| " 23. | Jim loses his gum. | " 26. | Pictures of each class are taken. |
| " 24. | Fred, who has just sat on a tack: "I can't see the point, but I just feel it." | " 27. | What was the cause of Edgar's ascension? A tack. |
| " 27. | Momence-Reddick basket ball game. | | |
| " 28. | "There's no occasion for running down stair."—T. R. J. | | |
| " 29. | "Who got some candy?" "Thanks." | | |
| " 30. | "I'm awfully lonesome."—Gladys J. | | |



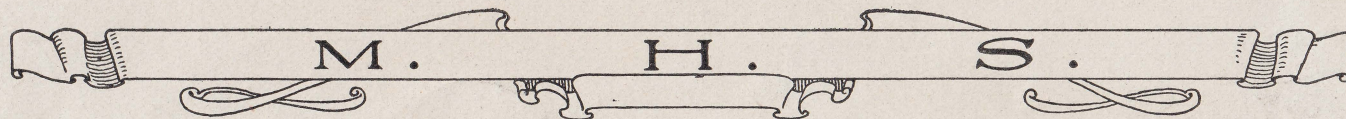
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| " 28. | Whence came the brown lock of hair on Hil- | Dec. 1. | Martina had to laugh. |
| | ton's coat? | " 2. | Nothin' stirrin'. |
| " 29. | What's the matter with a Senior's eye and a | " 3. | Only 22 more days till Christmas. Do your |
| | Senior's thumb? | | studying early. |
| " 31. | Organization of literary societies. | " 7. | Robert Dennis recites in Virgil. |
| Nov. 2. | Pauline N. had just 25 minutes of fun. It's | " 8. | And the next day it snowed. |
| | too bad she saw you, Pauline. | " 9. | Manzer, Jensen and the rest, |
| " 3. | "A shame we can't go to the grades."—H. N. | | Leave 'rithmetic—by request; |
| " 4. | Big basket ball game between Sophomore | | Keep it up, keep it up, boys, |
| | and Freshman girls. Sophs triumph. | | But don't make too loud a noise. |
| " 5. | More pictures taken. | " 10. | Chas. takes another nap. "It's a sad, sad life." |
| " 6. | No school. Teachers go to Elgin. | " 11. | Ralph Beaver visits us. Miss Lauver adds |
| " 9. | Virgil class sees stars. | | Mrs. Rev. Backmeyer to her name. |
| " 11. | Ger. I has another "sing" after a long "beg." | " 14. | Pipes in the boiler "bust." So does school. |
| " 12. | Mr. Walters visits us. | " 15. | A few gathered (for school) in the afternoon. |
| " 13. | Literary program. | " 16. | Basket ball team defeats Manteno. |
| " 16. | Parent-Teachers' meeting. Mr. Wheeler | " 17. | Oh, those horrid tests again! |
| | orates. | " 18. | Does Pauline like our company? No, thanks. |
| " 17. | Tell all the folks to vote right. | " 21. | Same old song. |
| " 18. | Hurray for the new school house. | " 22. | The day before, the day before Xmas. |
| " 19. | Faculty goes to Champaign. | " 23. | Merry Xmas. We don't blame Clay for want- |
| " 20. | No school. Goody! | | ing to practice the Xmas play. |
| " 23. | Say, Gladys, what's that on the back of your | " 25. | Turkey. |
| | neck? | " 26. | Doctor. |
| " 24. | Mart. and Irene have a "date"—west room— | " 27. | Nurse. |
| | 4 p. m. | " 28. | Nothing. |
| " 25. | Literary program. Roll call. "Present." Mr. | " 29. | Hash. |
| | Wheeler "cut it out." | " 30. | More hash. |
| " 26. | Thanksgiving. | " 31. | Still hash. |

Girl's Glee Club





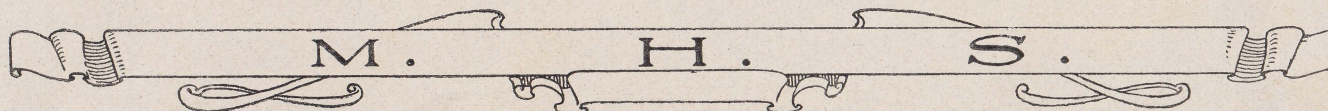
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| Jan. | 1. | More turkey. | " | 3. | Aimee B. learns to crochet; 1st period p. m. |
| " | 4. | School begins. Cog wheels squeak. | " | 4. | "Count of No Account." |
| " | 5. | Some students study Commercial Arithmetic (15 minutes)?
Why does Dorothy Smith stay in Assembly first period p. m.? | " | 5. | A lot of No Accounts. |
| " | 6. | Miss Slough initiates a pair of "specs." We always thought her eyesight very good. | " | 6. | Custard usually requires sugar instead of salt, Ruth. |
| " | 7. | St. Anne B. B. team puts up a hard fight (?) | " | 9. | "Ich wass nicht was soll es bedenten
Das wir so tranrig sein."—Ger. I. |
| " | 8. | Miss Stallings has evidently entered upon the sea of matrimony, as she appears with a sailor. | " | 10. | Fire drill. |
| " | 11. | Many students enjoy English II class (after school). | " | 12. | Year Book banquet.
Victor says to be himself (Victor) seems pretty comfortable. |
| " | 12. | Gerald, you naughty boy, did you steal Fred's Commercial Arithmetic paper? | " | 15. | Mr. Johnston plays Santa Claus. "M" sweaters come in style. |
| " | 13. | Robert Dennis doesn't like front seat, so he breaks it. | " | 16. | "Confession is good for the soul."—E. E. W. |
| " | 15. | Babies take a ride. | " | 18. | There seems to be an attraction in Lab. for A. B. |
| " | 18. | Cram for exams. | " | 19. | Latin play practice postponed. |
| " | 19. | More cramming. Fortunes "telled." | " | 22. | Washington had a birthday and we had company. Play of Latin classes not practiced. |
| " | 20. | Hope is as cheap as despair. | " | 23. | Box Elder bugs, string and boys; south room 4th period. |
| " | 23. | Domestic science. Who drank their custard? | " | 24. | S. Room students lose their happy home. |
| " | 25. | Exam papers back. | " | 25. | "Boys, please remove your hats as you enter the building."—T. R. J. |
| " | 26. | Why does each student peek at his exam grade? | " | 26. | Bird lecture. Latin classes did not practice their play. |
| " | 27. | Year Book contest starts. | " | 27. | Latin classes did not practice their play. |
| " | 29. | Literary programs. Report cards. | " | 28. | Same today. |
| Feb. | 1. | Commercial Law and Geography introduced. Solid Geometry class decreases to ten. | March | 1. | Latin play practice postponed again. |
| | | | " | 3. | Teachers decide to be "prompt" and "begin |



- on the dot."
- " 4. Latin classes did not rehearse their play.
- " 5. "As the usual program is not here, I will read her address."—R. B.
Zetaetheans enjoy some swell music and critic's report (?)
- " 9. Latin play practice. "Where's your wife, Clay?"—Miss G. K. S.
- " 11. Weatherwax Bros.
- " 13. Water is all right in its place, but Orange Bavarian Cream—well ask Leora B.
- " 15. Dr. Peas helps us pass away the first period.
- " 17. More green in evidence than usual.
- " 18. Zetaetheans enjoy program (in Assem.?)
- " 19. Lecture course fund is reimbursed by home talent program. Fuse decides that we should have less light on the subject.
- " 22. "Hello, Fond du Lac, April fool." Wireless in Physics.
- " 25. Oratorical contest.
- " 26. Faculty goes on a visit; good riddance of bad rubbish.
County final examinations. Seniors with aspirations to teach, find out what they don't know.
- " 29. Latin play practice postponed again.
- April 1. No fun receiving notes today.
- " 5. "Miss F. takes out an insurance policy to whom she is engaged to be married."—Com. Law test.
- " 6. Thanks be to Webster's Holy Book, we have one loyal Boy Scout. Lawrence Renstrom has a place to stand when "Star Spangled Banner" is sung by the Fifth grade.
- " 7. Prominent features of the day: Paul Nelson's classy tie. Gladys J's new shoes.
- " 8. Junior-Senior banquet.
- " 9. A sleepy feeling day. "Where am I at?"—Pauline, when she awakes in German I.
- " 10. Who was the "nut" who sent grape nuts to make nut bread? Ask Domestic Science class.
- " 12. In about a week we will have our Latin play practice again.
- " 14. Mock trial begun in Civics. Miss S. in Vergil: "I guess I'll have to call the sheriff."
- " 15. Geo. Ferree convicted.
- " 19. "I guess the Seniors will play too."—T. R. J.
- " 19. "Fighting is hard on the eyes."—Hilton.
- " 21. Report cards. Mart. gets B in deportment.
- " 22. Inter-class track meet. Seniors win.
- " 23. Robert Dennis orates at Bloomington.
- " 24. Domestic Science class give a "feed" to the Board of Education and faculty.
- " 26. Where were the boys' caps?
- " 27. The Edwards-Condon show witnessed by Mr. Wheeler.
- " 28. Florence B. says she thinks red hair is awfully nice on "some people." Why?
- " 29. Zetaetheans have musical program.
- " 30. Hurrah for the teacher's institute! Good bye!



LAUGH AND THE WORLD LAUGHS
WITH YOU



Slams---Slander---Slitherings.

By VIOLA DUFRAIN, Editor.

Why Teachers Pull Down the Shades and Turn on the Gas.

Miss Stallings, in English History: "This story about the king going into another country after a wife, reminds of what Bible story?"

Richard S. "Miles Standish."

Mr. Johnston, in Physiology: "What are the symptoms of disease?"

Henry Seavey, "Well, you get sick and a-a- -"

Lora Simonds, in the midst of Vergil translation: "Miss Slough, may I tell a joke?"

Miss Slough: "Probably that had better be postponed, Lora."

Eng. Teacher: "Was it fair for Portia's father to demand that all suitor's for Portia's hand swear to never look at another maiden?"

Lawrence B.: "Yes."

Teacher: "Give your reasons."

Lawrence: "Because he didn't say he couldn't look at a widow."

Anc. History test: "Who was the first king of Egypt?"

Brilliant Student: "Christ."

"Augustus," said Miss Slough, "was born in 63 and Vergil in 70. Therefore Vergil was the oldest. Why was this true, Lora?"

Lora: "Because Vergil was born first."

Miss Slough, in Caesar: "Jack, translate the next line."

Jack Clegg: "Caesar threw up stones—that's as far as I can get now."

Ruth B., in Physics. "If thirty-two degrees is freezing, what is squeezing?"

Mr. Wheeler: "Well, what is your answer?"

Ruth: "Two in the shade."

Mr. Wheeler: "I don't get you."

Miss Stallings: "Clay, give us an example of having a bitter disappointment turned into gain."

Clay: "I missed the train at Watseka, but I got a half-dozen sandwiches."

Eng. Teacher: "Gladys, give the principal parts of 'burst.'"

Gladys Younglove: "Burst, burst, busted."

Teacher: "What form is 'bust'?"

Gladys: "Oh! Burst, bust, bust."

Teacher: "Henry, give us the principal parts of 'bring'."

Henry: "Bring, brang, brung."

Cass Hayden: "I think I'll take poison."

Kind Friend: "Take Vergil instead. It's a sure killer."

John Gelino's lament:

"Count that day lost whose low descending sun,

Views in thy chawing mug no wad of chewing gum."



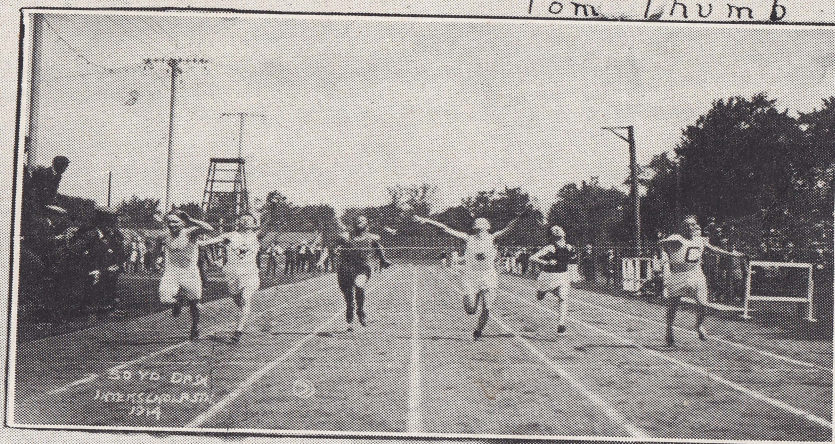
Our "Janitor"



"Tom Thumb"

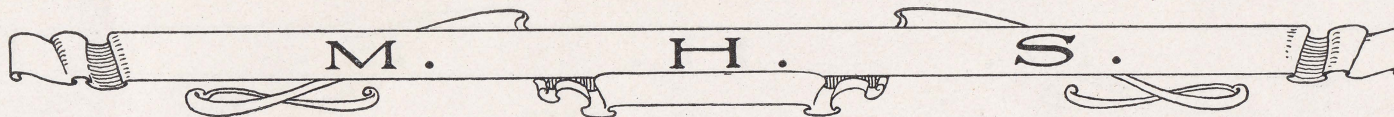


Working



Hayden winning at Illinois





"Contributors, please hand in all jokes on tissue paper so the editor will be able to see through them."

On the first day of school, Hilton Nichols was standing in the door of the Freshman room, laughing.

Marian Styles: "Well, Hilton, what are you laughing at?"

Hilton: "It has been so dry all summer that I'm glad to see something green again."

FOR SALE—A Chin. Dorothy Styles.

What about Freshmen?

Miss Stallings, in Botany: "Isn't this the grass that chickens like so well?"

Fred M.: "Aw, chickens like anything green."

Harold C. (in a whisper): "What about Paris Green?"

Some of the girls were whispering while Miss Slough was translating Vergil.

Miss Slough: "The leaves were a-a-Shut up—in a cave."

Girls: "Oh———!"

Botany assignment: "Tomorrow we will take the life of Louis Pasteur. All come prepared."

In Vergil. Miss Slough: "Are any of you people slaves?" (In whisper): "We all are."

Fred had just told what he had seen in the woods.

Botany Teacher: "Yes, there are all sorts of freaks of nature in the woods."

Fred: "Gee, that's quite a slam, ain't it? That's where they got me."

Miss Stallings at boarding house table: "I had the unique pleasure of playing my father's wedding march."

Visitor: "What's all this noise about? Are you having war around here?"

Wise Senior: "Oh, no, that's the Freshmen coming down stairs from Physiology."

I used to think I knew I knew,

But now I must confess

The more I know I know I know,

I know I know the less.

Needed Badly.

"I'm studying hard to get a-head."—Studious Soph.

Ruth B.: "My friend from the U. of I. was in town last night."

Edgar: "Well, I suppose last night was the end of the world."

Ruth: "Oh, no! The commencing of a new one."

Edgar: "Oh, humbug!"

School Patron: "Does the High School buy bread?"

Student: "No, indeed!"

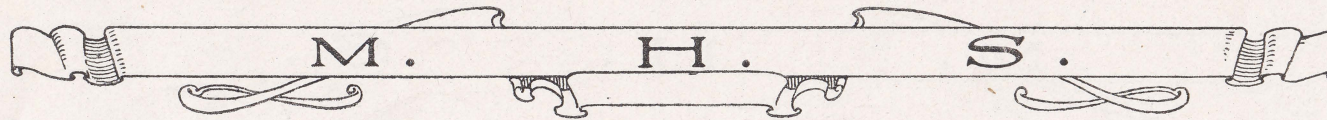
School Patron: "Why does Conrad's bread car stop at the school house at about noon?"

Student: "Ask Hazel McC."

Fire Rules—In case of fire, KEEP COOL.

New Verb Form.

Flunko, flunkere, faculty fixum, (meaning undefinable in English.



Seven Wonders of M. H. S. Students.

1. Mr. Wheeler's appreciation of the title "Deacon."
2. The age of Miss Slough.
3. Subjects discussed at the Faculty's little meetin's every six weeks.
4. Evelyn Faucher's dislike for curls.
5. Clay's purpose in going to church.
6. The conduct of the Faculty members in their "own home towns."
7. Mr. Wheeler's fondness for "Cupid" as the name for his boat.

Seven Other Wonders.

1. Where Fay Ault got his athletic stride.
2. How the Seniors would act if they ever attained dignity.
3. When John Condon is going to quit reading "dime" novels.
4. How Hilton Nichols would look studying.
5. When Lawrence Benjamin is going to grow up.
6. When Fred Melby is going to stop "growing up."
7. Where Lora Simonds got her vocabulary.

Favorite Pastimes.

To talk German—Richard Smith.
Lame Duck—Aimee Bigelow.
To visit the grades—Hilton Nichols.
To translate Vergil—Philip Sweet.
To read poetry—Martina Condon.
To chew gum or toothpicks—Mr. Wheeler.
To take off and put on her glasses—Miss Slough.

Lora: "I bet my mouth is larger than yours."

Charles: "I bet it ain't."

Lora: "You remember how we used to prove triangles equal."

In Gladys J's Geometry.

You asked me for something original,

But how am I going to begin?

There's nothing original in me,

Unless it's original sin.

WANTED—By Junior Class—A few more boys.

Mr. Johnston: "Better buy a rattle, Mr. Cantway, you can make more noise."

Verne: "It isn't me. It's the seat."

Miss Slough: "Charles, would you like the pleasure of reading the next?"

Charles: "What was the question?"

Different Modes of Lecturing.

Mr. Wheeler: "Hey! Stop talking back there before you begin."

Miss Slough: (thump! thump! thump!) "You precious children must stop making so much noise, and come to order at once."

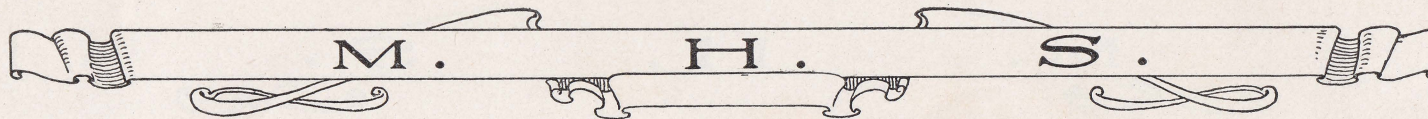
Mr. Johnston: "You people will have to quiet down. The School Board has forbidden gossiping."

Miss Stallings: "Dearies, only about one-fifth of you are studying, and there's no use of that."

A tonic for those who are behind in their studies.—Ketchup.

Elite Society





Ten Commandments of M. H. S. Students.

Hearken and obey these Great Commandments, and at the end of the Semester on the Day of Judgment, thou shalt be freed from Exams. and rest at home.

1. Thou shalt love and fear the Great Faculty, for they are very powerful, and giveth thee thy grade, (however small it may be.)

2. Thou shalt take no slyly stolen snap-shots of the Great Faculty, lest they entertain thee until five bells.

3. Whenever thou meetest the Great Faculty thou shalt bow down to them, for they remember everything on the Day of Judgment.

4. Thou shalt not chew thy cud of gum in the presence of the Great Faculty, unless thou dividest it with them. Thou and thy gum shalt especially beware of thy English Teacher, for she is extremely jealous.

5. Thou shalt not bear false witness against the Great Faculty, even if thou knowest it is true.

6. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's grade, but thou shouldst strive to gain the favor of the Great Faculty as thy neighbor has done before thee.

7. Honor and respect the Great Faculty that thy grades may dwell up high.

8. Thou shalt not run up and down stairs, for thou might run against the Great Faculty and be stopped.

9. Thou shalt not talk or pass notes when the Great Faculty sees thee, for the Great Faculty will not hold him guiltless that doeth these things.

10. Freshman Special.—In case of fire, thou shalt leave the building lastly, for green things burn not, as the dry

and crisp Seniors.

Found in Harold McKee's Caesar.

"Wait, O, children, and you shall see,
The greatest statesman, Harold McKee;
Here he comes, so bend your knee!
Look at his funny mug! Tee! Hee!"

Ruth B: "I once went out riding with a young man and the next day the horse died."

Vivien E.: "What was the trouble?"

Ruth B.: "I don't know. We didn't drive it fast."

Mr. Johnston: "What is a 'Pork Barrel,' Vivien?"

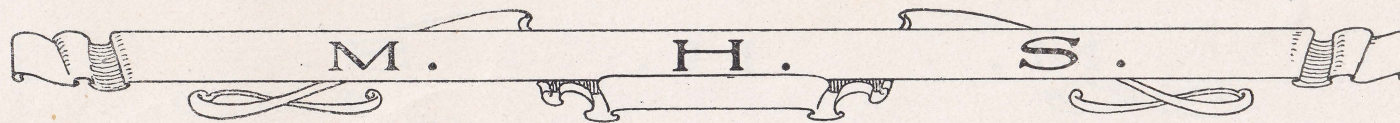
Vivien: "Pork is a foolish appropriation, but I didn't see the barrel."

Charles S.: "Miss Slough, what did Caesar write?"

Miss Slough: "Why Charles, didn't you read 'Caesar's Gaelic Wars,' last year?"

"A writ of Habeas Corpus is a writ by which a prisoner is granted a body."—"P. N." in Civics test.





Literary Societies.

The Elite and Zetalethean societies were organized this year by those who wished to carry on the literary work, and by the members of the faculty. The purpose of these societies is to advance moral culture and enlarge our fund of general intelligence that it may reach its highest possible degree. The plans were slightly changed from those of former years, each society giving its program every two weeks to its own members, thus increasing the work of each member. Excellent work was accomplished by both societies and great benefits derived from them in the different debates, orations, essays, readings and musical selections.

Officers of Zetalethean Society—1st Semester.

President.....Lora Simonds
Vice-President.....Martha Searls
Sec.-Treasurer.....Anna Johnson
Critic-Censor.....Miss Stallings

Second Semester.

President.....Martina Condon
Vice-President.....Edgar Jensen
Sec.-Treasurer.....Jack Clegg
Critic-Censor.....Miss Stallings

Officers of Elite Society—1st Semester.

President.....Gladys Jackson
Vice-President.....Pauline Nichols
Sec.-Treasurer.....Ruth Boswell
Critic-Censor.....Mr. Wheeler

Second Semester.

President.....Dorothy Styles
Vice-President.....Ruth Boswell
Sec.-Treasurer.....Pauline Nichols
Critic-Censor.....Mr. Wheeler

“The Count of No Account.”

“The Count of No Account” was given February 5, in the opera house, by members of the High school and other home talent. It was given to make up the deficit on the Lecture Course, and was presented in a very pleasing manner. The play was also repeated on February 15, in the Grant Park town hall, but to a small audience.

Cast of Characters:

Weary (Would-be Count)	Edgar Jensen
Count No Goodio	Henry Conrad
Kramer (German Inn Keeper)	Dean N. Beacom
James Long (from New York)	E. E. Wheeler
Marvin Short (also from New York)	Hilton Nichols
Si Perkins (Police Force)	Fred Melby
Iama Terror	Henry Conrad
Mrs. Goodey (Sister to Terror)	Marie Jackson
Bessie Long	Gladys Jackson
Jessie Short	Miss Russell
Louise (French Maid)	Helena Hardy
Melvina Todd (Spinster)	Lora Simonds
Hans and Otto (Porters)	John Condon, Victor Taylor

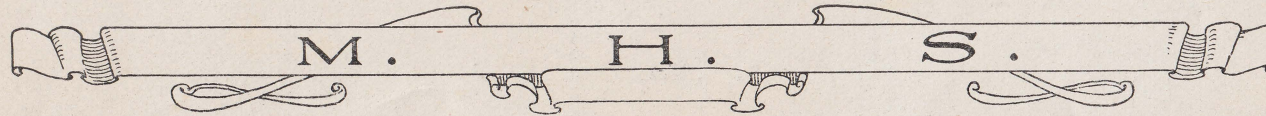
Scenes:

Act 1—Garden of the Lion Inn.
Act 2—Same as Act 1.
Act 3—Parlor of the Lion Inn.

Zetalethean Society







Athletics.

By E. E. WHEELER.

Did you ever feel the spirit of the game? Did you ever feel that your team, your school, your class, your society, was the one thing worth working for? Did you ever sweat for the sake of sweating, or work for the sake of working and then feel like crying when you were downed, but while sorrowing resolve to get up and fight again? Did you ever throw the basket that won the game, or win the race that brought home the banner, and then hear the sweetest music in the world, the cheers of those for whom you care the most? Or perhaps envy the one who did it and forget the envy in shouting for him? That, my friends, is the "spirit of the game."

Life is but a game. We will all hear the whistle that will tell us that the time for action has come. The baskets we shoot, the fouls we commit, the time we lose, the games we win or lose, all will be counted. Our own inner conscience is the referee, public opinion the score keeper. Will we stick out the game or call in a substitute? Will we make the first team or play forever on the "scrubs?" Will we play fair but hard, or will we, when we think the official is not looking, trip our opponent or grumble at the scorekeeper?

We may forget the Latin vocabulary, or the geometry theorems, we may even forget the rules of basket ball, but if we catch the "spirit of the game," it will not get away. Whatever the game, whether business, profession or the home, we will realize the value of team work, of

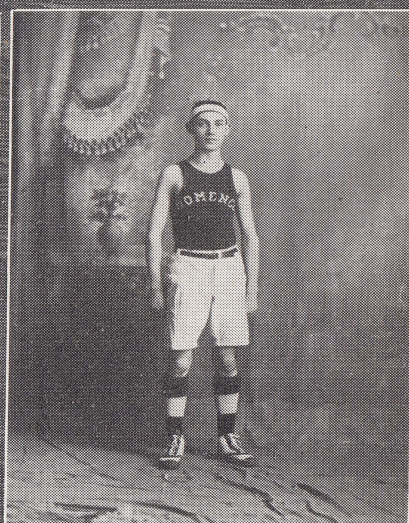
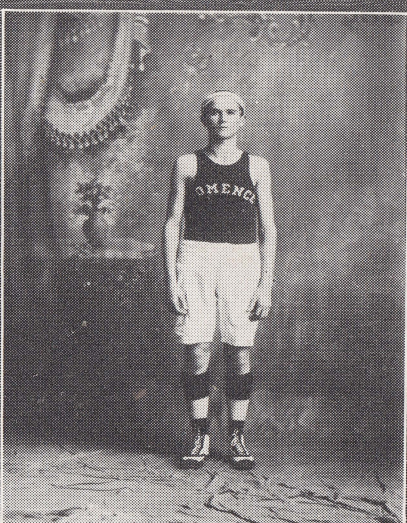
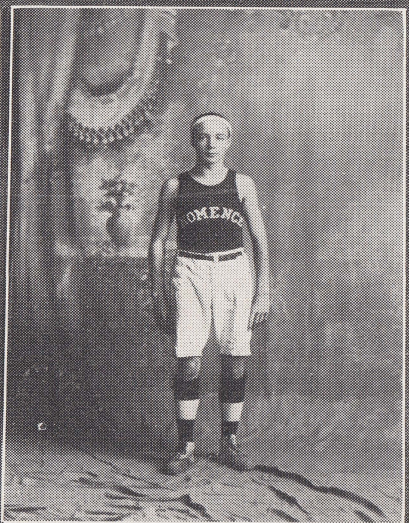
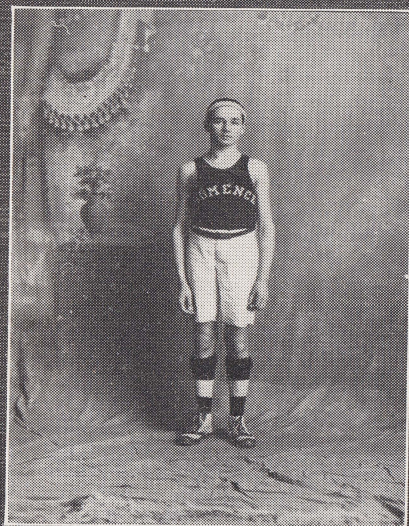
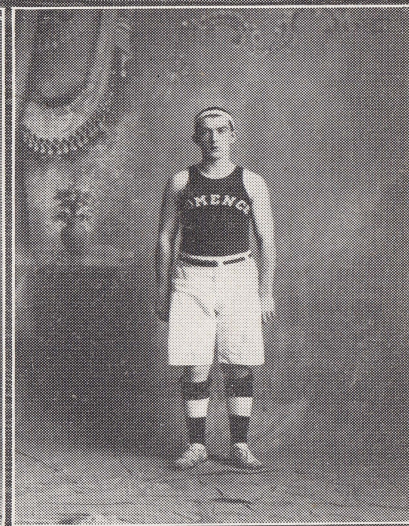
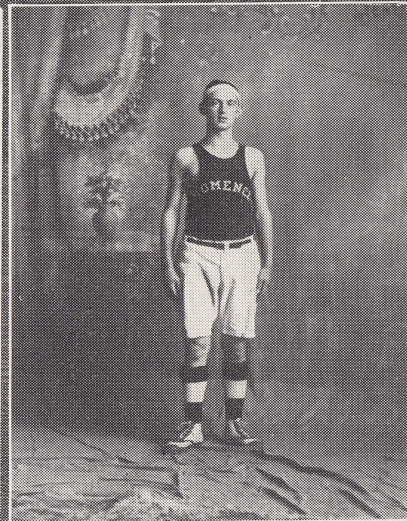
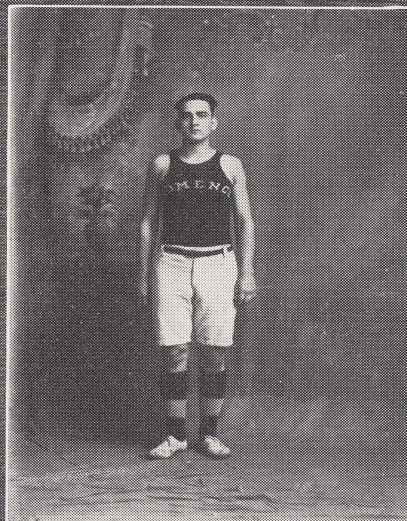
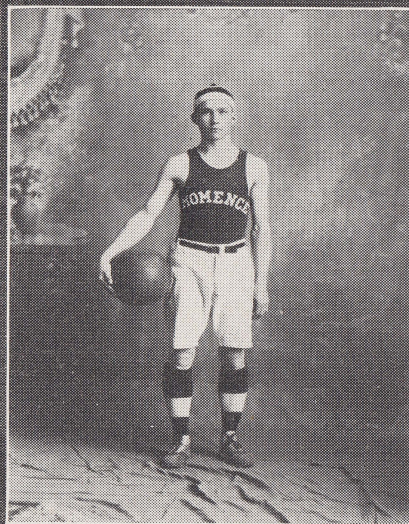
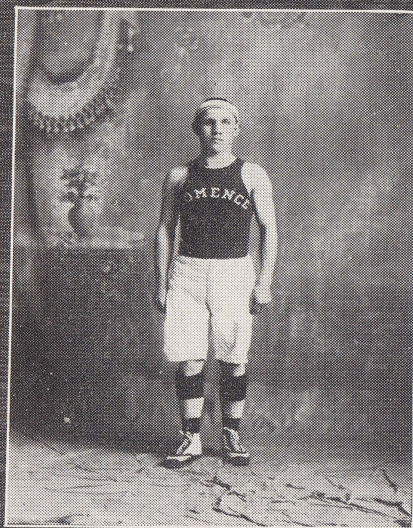
honesty, of carefully planned methods of attack.

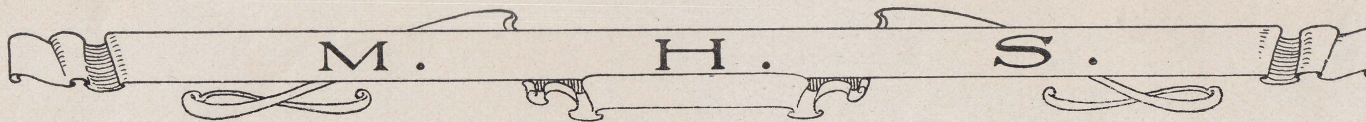
We lay the foundations in school. Call it play if you will. Work is but play and a poor player is a poor worker.

Teach us to play, then, O, public school, that when we enter life's larger game we may have acquired the rudiments of dealing with our fellow man, of working in harmony with our team-mates for the good of others than ourselves, and of fighting with the last ounce of strength for a worthy ideal. Give us basket ball with our Latin; track work with our mathematics; gymnastics with our English, and healthful exercise with our Science, that our credits may be obtained not at the expense of, but with the aid of, muscle. Make the game one of brain AND brawn, not brain OR brawn. And when we graduate may we do so in health as well as mental wealth.



Basket Ball Team





Athletics.

As in former years, the principal activities in athletics have been basket ball and track. Football died its natural death because of lack of material, while base ball has never found adherence in High school. What is lacking in the latter, however, has been made up in the former.

While Momence has very few men from which to pick, she has developed wonderful teams; or rather it has been the teams developing themselves, because we have no gymnasium, track, or any other equipment with which to work. While Momence has not developed championship teams, the teams have placed themselves among the leading schools of the State, by the good work of some of their men.

Basket Ball.

The basket ball season opened this year with a promising outlook, with five "M" men and plenty of material to choose from, but it was not long until injuries had depleted the ranks, and deprived the team of some of its best men. The team has not been a championship team, but a team full of fight, and good fellowship, and when they lost, they did so cheerfully.

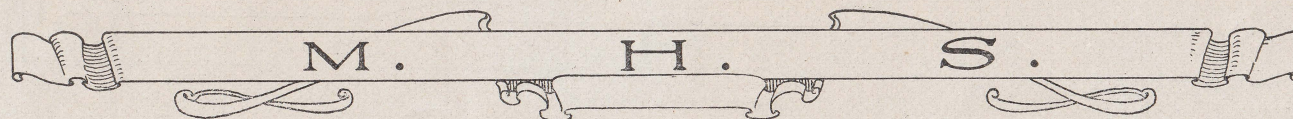
The first game of the season was with the Reddick High school on the home grounds, on September 25, 1914. It was Momence's game from start to finish, as was proven by the score. Captain Hayden and Storrs at forward,

played a great game. At center, Jensen met his man skillfully; while at guard, we find two men in Hayden and Steevens who are hard to describe, because they are never in one place long enough to be seen. In the latter part of the game Reddick was gaining, when Captain Hayden withdrew in favor of Gelino, who threw two baskets in the last moments of play, easily winning the game, also winning for himself a place on the team. Although held in reserve for several games, Ferree and Edwards, (Slivers) showed excellent form when called upon.

On October 3, the team met Watseka High school on the latter's grounds. The first half ended with the score in favor of Momence, but the team could not stand prosperity, and threw away the game in the last half by a margin of two points. Although defeated, they felt as if something had been accomplished, since at their previous meeting Watseka won by the large score of 36 to 6.

On October 10, the team went to Reddick for a return game with that school. Here is where Momence's hard luck began. Capt. Hayden and Ferree were both injured in the game and were forced to leave the field. The Reddick field is square instead of rectangular, and the goals iron hoops fastened on the ends of some old boxes. With this and their heavy team, they defeated Momence 22 to 10.

A game was scheduled with St. Anne High school (present champions of Kankakee county,) for October 16. Just as the game was starting, it began to rain, driving the



spectators from the field and leaving the two teams to fight it out in the mud. St. Anne started on another championship campaign by defeating Momence 20 to 12.

The team under Coach Wheeler worked hard for a return game with Watseka, October 23. Momence went to the field without the services of Capt. Hayden, who was unable to play on account of illness. The game was a fight from the beginning, Momence keeping ahead by one or two points until the near the close of the game, when Watseka tied the score at 22 all. The teams decided to play until either team made a point. Capt. Wilson of Watseka, soon shot a basket, winning the game. In this game Steevens suffered a sprained ankle which kept him off the team for several weeks.

Momence opened their indoor season at St. Anne, November 13. Here Momence was not able to put the best team on the floor because of injuries to Capt. Hayden and Right Guard Steevens, but the team that faced St. Anne did well in holding them to a 21 to 13 score. After the game was over, the two teams were tendered a banquet by the girls of the St. Anne High school.

The next game, November 20, was with the Crown Point, Indiana, High school, in the latter's gymnasium. It is hard enough to beat a team, but when you have to beat the referee it is almost impossible, and this is what Momence was up against. The first few minutes of play was close, but the tide soon turned, for Momence had Capt. Hayden and Jensen put out of the game for trying to obtain a fair deal for their team. Finding it impossible to win or even to obtain a fair deal, through the unjust de-

cisions of the referee, they finished the game, preferring to fight rather than yield.

The annual game with the Alumni was fought out on the High school campus on Thanksgiving afternoon. The Alumni team was composed of such stars as L. Haslett and Peterson, forwards; G. Nichols, center, and J. Haslett and Sherwood, guards. The game was fast and interesting from start to finish, but the High school, with its excellent team-work and the ability of their forwards to make baskets, gave them a 20 to 5 victory. This is the first athletic contest the High school has won from the Alumni in five years.

The town team, composed of former H. S. and basket ball stars, challenged the High school team to a series of three games for the city championship. The first game was played in Assembly hall on Dec. 9. When the H. S. accepted the challenge they expected the games to be played in a friendly manner, but far was it from such. Nothing was fair to the city team except their own way of playing, and that was more like a prize fight than a basket ball game. The H. S. put up a game fight, but more than that, they did it in a friendly and sportsmanlike manner, but were defeated 18 to 20.

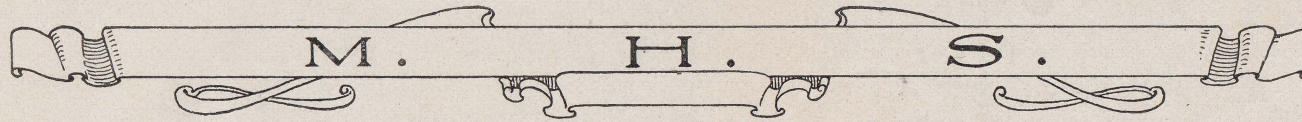
On Dec. 16, the fast Manteno H. S. team was defeated by M. H. S. in the best game ever played on the home floor. At the end of the first half, the score was 13 all, and at the second half it was 27 all. It was agreed by the captains of the two teams to play five minutes to decide the game. Momence, through the efforts of C. Hayden and Storrs, made four points to Manteno's two, and won

Track Team, 1915



Back—Edgar Jensen, George Ferree, E. E. Wheeler.

Front—Jack Clegg, Fred Evans, Monroe Hayden, John Gelino, Clay Hayden.



the game. The best description we have of the game is two verses of poetry written by Robert Dennis, in Physics class, as follows:

When stars were in the sky,
And the moon was shining high,
O'er the river calm and clear,
We went, with hearts that were filled with fear;
For Manteno came to town that night,
And Momence's prospects were far from bright,
And we knew that we must win or fall
In that mighty game of Basket Ball.
Rah! for Si who made the baskets,
Rah! for Manteno who went home in caskets;
Rah! for Capt. Hayden, quick and square,
Rah! for Clegg who certainly was there;
Rah! for Jensen, big and strong,
Rah! for Edwards who helped them along;
Ra! for the Momence triumph that night—
Of all the season, the fiercest fight.



The Second Basket Ball Team.

By FAY AULT.

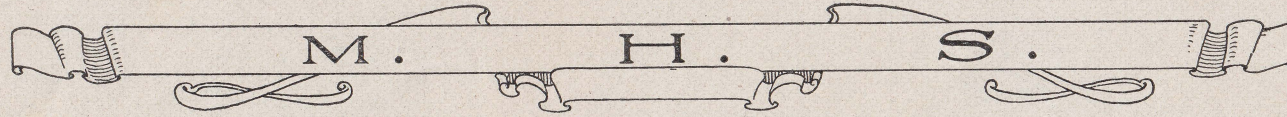
The "First" Basket Ball team having been organized in the H. S., there were still enough fellows left who could and would play, to organize a second team. The team consisted of the following: Capt., Clegg; Payne, Manzer,

and Thomas as forwards; McKee, Clegg and Taylor as guards; Seavey and Ault as centers. Out of the nine members, there were usually enough present to make up a team to give the 'first' team practice.

The "second" team was not a slow and weak team as may be imagined. This was proven not only in playing the "first" team, but also by defeating Grant Park's only team in the games played between them, with ease. Since the "second" team organized for the sole purpose of giving the "first" team practice, they did not try to get many out-of-town games.

As the "first" team now consists mainly of Seniors, this team next year will be made up principally of this year's second team, which will undoubtedly win great fame, as they can practice as often as they desire to in the new gymnasium.

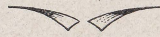




The Inter-Class Track Meet.

The Inter-Class Track Meet was held on the Central school grounds, April 22. The classes represented were: The Seniors with 18 entries, and the relay; the Juniors with 3 entries; the Sophomores with 19 entries, and the relay; the Freshmen with 14 entries, and the relay; the Eighth Grade with 14 entries, and the relay. The meet was not as fast as was expected on account of the short and slippery track. The class making the most points was to have been presented with a banner. The finals were:

Seniors 51 points and 1st in relay; Juniors 3 points; Sophomores 24 points; Freshmen 5 points; Eighth Grade 16 points.



Girls' Athletic Association.

At the first meeting of the Girls' Athletic Association this year, Martina Condon was elected president. After completing their organization the girls decided to make a basket ball court on the south side of the school building. With the help of the Boys' A. A., the goals were made and set in place and the girls immediately began a series of inter-class games. Four teams were organized, representing each class, with Miss Slough as coach. The Freshmen and Sophomores played the first game of the

series, the latter winning. The other games were postponed on account of bad weather, but will probably be played off this spring. Next year, in the new gymnasium, the girls hope to do regular gymnasium work, as well as play basket ball.



The Hundred Yard Dash.

By CLAY T. HAYDEN, '15.

Give me the race that is run in a breath,
Straight from the start to the tape;
Distance hath charms, but a slip means death—
Death without flowers or crape.

"On your marks!" "Get set!" For a moment we pause,
Held by a leach all unseen;
"P'ff!" We are off, from the pistol we gain,
Yards if the starter proves not keen.

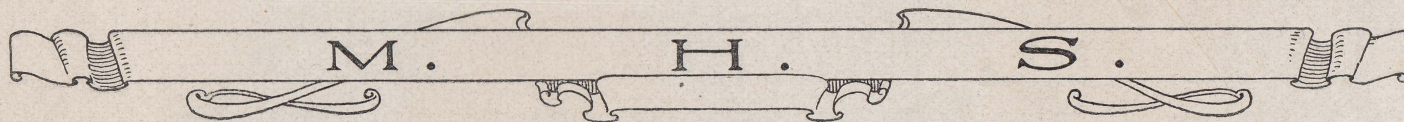
Off like a flash, the cinders scarce stir, under the touch
of our feet;

Flashes of sunlight, the crowd's muffled purr,
He's leading—leading, but not very far.

One last fierce effort—the tape breaks,
Struggle and strain are all past;
Only ten ticks of the watch—but it makes
First, second, third, fourth and last.

Girls' Athletic Association





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President—Mrs. Charles Hess.

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Corresponding Secretary—Josephine Tiffany.

Treasurer—Claude DuBridge.

Toastmaster—Jay Garrett.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Bessie Brassard.

Class of 1877.

Beers, (Jewett) Eva.....Hoxie, Kansas
Brady, (Haslett) Mary.....Crown Point, Ind
Giffin, Eva, deceased.
Griffin, L. Emma.....Clark's Summit, Pa
Haslett, Eaton.....Long Beach, Cal
Kelly, (McKinstry) Sarah.....Madison, S. D
Little, (Smithyman) Ida.....Momence
Thompson, Clara.....Bunker Hill, Ind

Class of 1888.

Corey, (Brown) Maggie.....Marne, Iowa
Moran, (FitzGerald) Ella.....Chicago
McDonough, (Hughes) Mary.....Yankton S. D

Class of 1892.

Henry, (Chipman) Martha.....Salem
Taylor, (McDaniels) Francis.....Cairo
Meinzer, (Knighthart) Mary.....Momence
Paradis, (Culver) Nora.....Minneapolis, Minn
Reins, (Riker) Florence.....Steptoe, Wash
Watson, (Clark) Martha.....Highland Park

Class of 1893.

DuMontelle, (Shrontz) Maude.....Momence
Griffin, Norman, cashier.....Grant Park
Cloldt, (Griffin) Carrie.....
Kenrich, Jay, minister.....Culver, Ind
Dennison, (Lamb) Bertha.....Exline
Rose, (Patrick) Maude.....Chicago
Sweet, (Whitmore) Maude.....Cherryvale, Kan

Class of 1894.

Buntain, C. M. C., attorney.....Kankakee
Burch, (Simonds) May.....Momence
Culver, Frank H., draughtsman.....LaPorte, Ind
Groves, Burr.....Sparta, Wis
Einslee, (Nichols) Ethel.....Brunswick, Ind
Krows, Ralph, Reporter.....Tacoma, Wash
Longpre, Elmer, physician.....Kankakee
Wilkinson, (Reins) Minnie.....
Wilkinson, John, physician.....

Class of 1895.

Hess, (Ellis) Gertrude.....Momence
Freeman, H. W., dentist.....Grant Park
Knaur, (Kious) Eva.....Momence
Kinney, (Melby) Hilma.....
Bacon, (Patrick) Jessica.....Tipton, Ind
Pogue, Chas., monuments.....Crawfordsville, Ind
Safford, E. T.....West Superior, Wis
Willis, Fred, credit man.....Chicago
Sanstrom, Samuel, deceased.

Class of 1896.

Campbell, Magdalene.....Momence
Clark, Elwyn J., civil eng'r.....Cheyenne, Wyo
Clark, Fred O.....Momence
Culver, May C., musician.....Ortinville Minn
Collier, (Drayer) Lena.....Kankakee
Gray, Jesse M.....Yonkers, N. Y
Griffin, Ernest.....Grant Park
Landon, Clara.....Portland, Ore
Hoinke, (Buffington) May.....Ft. Dodge, Iowa
Lane, Grayce, musician.....Momence

Class of 1898

Bigelow, (Ingraham) Hattie.....Los Angeles, Cal
Beatty, (Morgan) Carrie.....Danville, Ky
Cleary, Wm. J., priest.....Elmwood
Dowling, Julia.....Chicago
Durham, Bertha.....Momence
Dunn, (Gibson) Hattie M.....Los Angeles, Cal
Hurst, (Fountain) Rosilda.....St. Louis
Hansen, Henry.....Miles City, Mont
Kelsey, Clare.....Alabama
O'Connell, (Simonds) Cora.....Momence
O'Donnell, Delia.....

Class of 1899.

Bukowski, Mary L.....Momence
Dennis, Harold, farmer.....Grant Park
MacDonald, (Paradis) Edna.....Chicago
Shaw, Norman, clerk.....Washington, D. C
Tabler, Clyde L., lumber & coal.....Momence

Wagner, Josephine, deceased.

Class of 1900.

Chamberlain, Amos, farmer.....Momence
Cleary, James, grocer.....
Clarke, Carroll C.....Chicago
Coleman, (Lamport) Georgia.....Brazil, Ind
Felt, (Dennis) Lena.....Momence
Gordon, (Dwyer) Nellie.....Penfield
Harris, Will, farmer.....Grant Park
Johnson, Junia.....Crete
Montgomery, (Garrett) Leona.....Stockland
Michler, (Babin) Mattie M.....Chicago
Morgan, Stephen, deceased.
Porter, (McKee) Bessie.....Muskogee, Okla
Porter, Edward A.....
Sollitt, (Parmley) Idella.....Pittsburgh, Pa
Sprinkle, (Gibeault) Phoebe.....Villa Grove
Shaffer, (Culver) Florence.....Minnesota
Rice, Belle, teacher.....Momence
Willis, Fred, mail clerk.....
Wallace, (Lamport) May.....Grant Park
Woody, (Stratton) Ida.....Ft. Worth, Texas

Class of 1901.

Dwyer, Josie F., milliner.....Billings, Mont
Freeman, (Burchard) Olive.....Grant Park
Gregoire, (Smith) Birdie.....Tacoma, Wash
Griffin, (Force) Ida.....Gore, Ohio
Hartman, (Clark) Francis.....Hesperia, Mich
Jackson, (Drayer) Alma.....Durham, N. H
Keltering, (Brady) Mamie.....Rose Lawn, Ind
Kelsey, Wayne.....E. Spokane, Wash
Nadolni, Clara, stenographer.....Chicago
Porter, Geo., Supt schools.....Goodland, Ind
Smith, (Thurber) Lucille.....Grant Park
Weaver, L. Ethel, teacher.....Kankakee

Class of 1902.

Cleary, Jennie, teacher.....Momence
Cleary, Elizabeth, teacher.....Chicago Heights
Chamberlain, (Kious) Maysie.....Momence
Dennis, Laura.....Grant Park

M. H. S.

Gibeault, Joseph, merchant..... Villa Grove
Hanson, Anna, teacher..... Redlands, Cal
Lewis, (Freeman) Blanche..... Momence
Nelson, Pheobe J..... Chicago
Porter, Ezra B., deceased.....
Seaman, Grace M..... Plymouth, Ind
Sergeant, (Vane) Estella..... Grant Park
Watrus, (Gibson) Laura..... Mystic, Conn

Class of 1903.

Abeles, (Weaver) Bonnie..... South Bend, Ind
Bruner, (Porter) Ivy..... Brook, Ind
Chamberlain, (Bennett) Edith..... Momence
Chipman, (Dayton) Flora..... Cortland, N. Y
Esson, (Wilson) Blanche..... Grant Park
Garrett, (Baechler) Martha..... Champaign
Garrett, Frank W., instructor.....
Hanson, (Searls) Marian..... Momence
Hanson, Sarah, teacher..... Chicago
Miller, Blendina, artist..... New York City
Parish, Varnum A., attorney..... Momence
Porter, Niles, farmer.....
Pifer, (Spry) Carrie..... Mattoon
Wilson, (Gray) Esther..... Stanwood, Wash
Wheeler, (Dayton) Edna..... Detroit, Mich

Class of 1904.

Blood, (Clark) Carrie..... Buffalo, Wyo
Cleary, Edward, bank cashier..... Momence
Christensen, (Peterson) Agnes, teacher
Crosby, Lloyd, deceased.....
Crosby, Sadie, nurse..... Chicago
Gibeault, Myrtle, stenographer.....
Holman, (Chipman) Viola..... San Francisco, Cal
Kelsey, Leigh, farmer..... E. Spokane, Wash
Parnely, Clyde, electrician..... Kewanee
Robinson, (Hess) Ina..... Edgewood
Templeton, Anna, clerk..... Chicago
Thurber, (Croman) Laura..... Los Angeles, Cal
VanInwagen, Frank, engineer..... Chicago
Willis, Gilbert A., teacher..... Momence
Wennerholm, (Wennerholm) Marie.....
Wilson, Clara, teacher..... Grant Park

Class of 1905.

Bennett, Georgia..... Grant Park
Goodere, (Dwyer) Stella..... Chicago
Garrett, Jessie, teacher..... Granville
Garrett, Jay, farmer..... Knob Noster, Mo
Hazard, (Vane) Lola M..... Berwyn
McLaughlin, (Selby) Hallie..... Cerro Gordo
Roden, (Tabler) Virginia..... Pasadena, Cal

Class of 1906.

Cleary, Frank, priest..... Rantool
Fish, Nina..... Muskogee, Okla
Hanson, Will..... Chicago
Hansen, (Johnson) Serina.....
Vane, (Pittman) Emma..... Momence
Wheeler, (Buckner) Irene.....

Class of 1907.

Broad, Hazel, teacher..... Peoria
Bukowski, John..... Chicago
Crosby, Myrtle..... Sandyhook, Mont
Chipman, (Hess) Lottie..... Momence
Cleff, (Loghry) Nellie..... Oak Park
Dufrain, Frank, teacher..... Raymond
Hunt, (Fish) Lucile..... Lowell, Ind
Hoag, Harry..... Momence
Little, Clennie.....
Halpin, Mayme..... Chicago
Sauers, (Hansen) Carrie..... Conrad, Ind

Class of 1908.

Boyd, Meryl..... Wessington, S. D
Britton, (Thurber) Hazel..... Grant Park
Bennett, Bessie..... Hollywood, Cal
Halpin, Francis..... Chicago
Hayden, (Smith) Florence..... Plano
Hayden, Will.....
Hansen, Axel W., teacher..... Iowa
Nelson, Margaret, teacher..... Wellington
Nelson, Gertrude, teacher..... Momence
Porter, Clare, clerk..... Morocco, Ind
Parish, Will..... Momence
Ryan, James, law student..... Ann Arbor, Mich
Shoultz, (Wilmot) Minnie..... Amarilla, Texas
Sawyer, (McMann) Margaret..... Detroit, Mich
Stetson, Mattie, milliner..... Momence
Tiffany, Josephine, musician..... Momence
Wilson, Jesse, farmer..... Grant Park

Class of 1909.

Allen, (Burtt) Clara..... Rushville, Ind
Blakesley, (Popejoy) Mabel..... Aurora
Baker, (Anderson) Ida..... N. Manchester, Ind
Bigoness, Georgia..... Momence
Crosby, James..... Sandyhook, Mont
DuBridge, Claude, clerk..... Momence
Giroux, Arthur..... Chicago
Hess, Gaillard, teacher..... West Chicago
Keeler, Anna..... Momence
Nichols, George, mechanic.....
Smith, Harold, farmer..... Lowell, Ind
Tuttle, Will, hotel keeper..... Momence

Class of 1910.

Astle, Louise..... Momence
Barsalou, Beatrice..... Chicago
Cremer, Beulah, teacher..... West Frankfort
Connor, Clifford..... Momence
Cleary, Margaret, teacher..... Kankakee
Dennis, Percival, farmer..... Grant Park
Grabe, George..... Ann Arbor, Mich
Garrett, Irene, teacher..... Grand Ledge, Mich
Greenawalt, [Porter] Grace..... Momence
Gordinier, Irma, teacher.....
Jackson, Marie, asst. postmistress.....
Lilly, Eva, teacher.....

Metcalf, Neil, brakeman..... Rockford
Mazur, Catherine, teacher..... Momence
Nelson, Harold..... St. Louis
Polk, Lester, student..... Purdue Univ
Stratton, John..... Argentine Republic
Sherwood, [Halpin] Catherine..... Momence
Sherwood, Cecil, newsdealer.....
Walker, Howard, electrician..... Chicago

Class of 1911.

Crosby, Ivan, farmer..... Sandyhook, Mont
Dwyer, Ethel, teacher..... Penfield
Fountain, Everette..... Univ. of Illinois
Howk, Dean.....
Hanson, Capitola, teacher..... Momence
Hill, Lorene, musician.....
Kirby, Helen.....
Snow, Mabel..... Momence
Wilson, Alice, teacher..... Grant Park

Class of 1912.

Astle, [West] Florence..... Momence
Allen, Wayne, student..... Beloit, Wis
Bigelow, Jean, student..... Chicago
Bukowski, George, r'y clerk..... Momence
Clark, Mary L., teacher.....
Dubridge, Walter.....
Jensen, Ragnhild, teacher.....
Lundstrom, Effie, teacher.....
Lavery, [Hupp] Maude..... Chicago
Melby, Helen, student..... Granville, Ohio
Seavey, Harry, student..... Univ. of Illinois

Class of 1913.

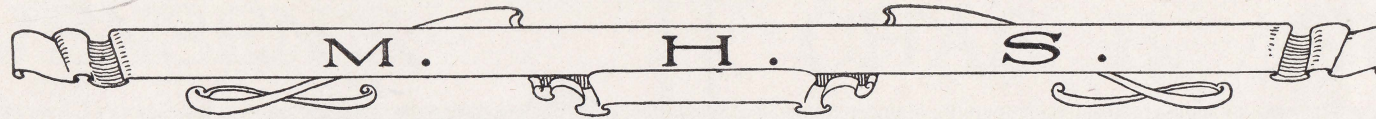
Bradley, Ethel..... Momence
Clapsadle, Mabel..... Hollywood, Cal
Gordinier, Leonard..... Momence
Hampton, [Tuttle] Ruby..... Momence
Howk, Clark, clerk..... Chicago
Hanson, Oscar..... Redlands, Cal
Johnson, Amanda..... Momence
Nelson, Dolly, teacher.....
Parish, Anthony, student..... Washington, D. C
Snow, [Lynds] Nora..... Momence
Tuttle, Charles.....
Todd, Earl, teacher..... Bonfield

Class of 1914.

Beyerlein, Lulu..... Momence
Brassard, Bessie student..... Knoxville
Hardy, Helena..... Momence
Johnson, Selma.....
Nelson, Dorothy.....
Oleson, Viola.....
Rasmussen, Duwana, teacher.....
Smith, Florence.....
Walker, Livonia, teacher.....
Weichen, Harry, teacher..... Beecher
Zahl, Zenaida..... Momence

Second Basket Ball Team





Commercial Course.

The pupils of the High school next year will have the advantages of a full fledged Commercial Course to choose, if they see fit. This course will offer instruction in Stenography, Bookkeeping, Typewriting, Business English, and Business Practice, in addition to the courses in Commercial Law, Commercial Arithmetic and Commercial Geography, which are now offered in the school. The course will be so arranged that it can be completed in one year by a Senior or Post-Graduate of the High school, in two years if a Junior, or may be begun in the Sophomore year and completed in three years. Full credit toward graduation will be given for the work, and it will be accepted by most of the colleges as satisfying college entrance requirements.

It has long been felt that the course in the High school was too restrictive, and too limited a choice of studies given. The proposed course will remedy this difficulty, in part at least.

It is hoped that a Domestic Science course may also be added, thus giving the girls of the school a still greater choice of subjects. When these two courses are added, the High school will be put on an equality with the most progressive High schools of the country.

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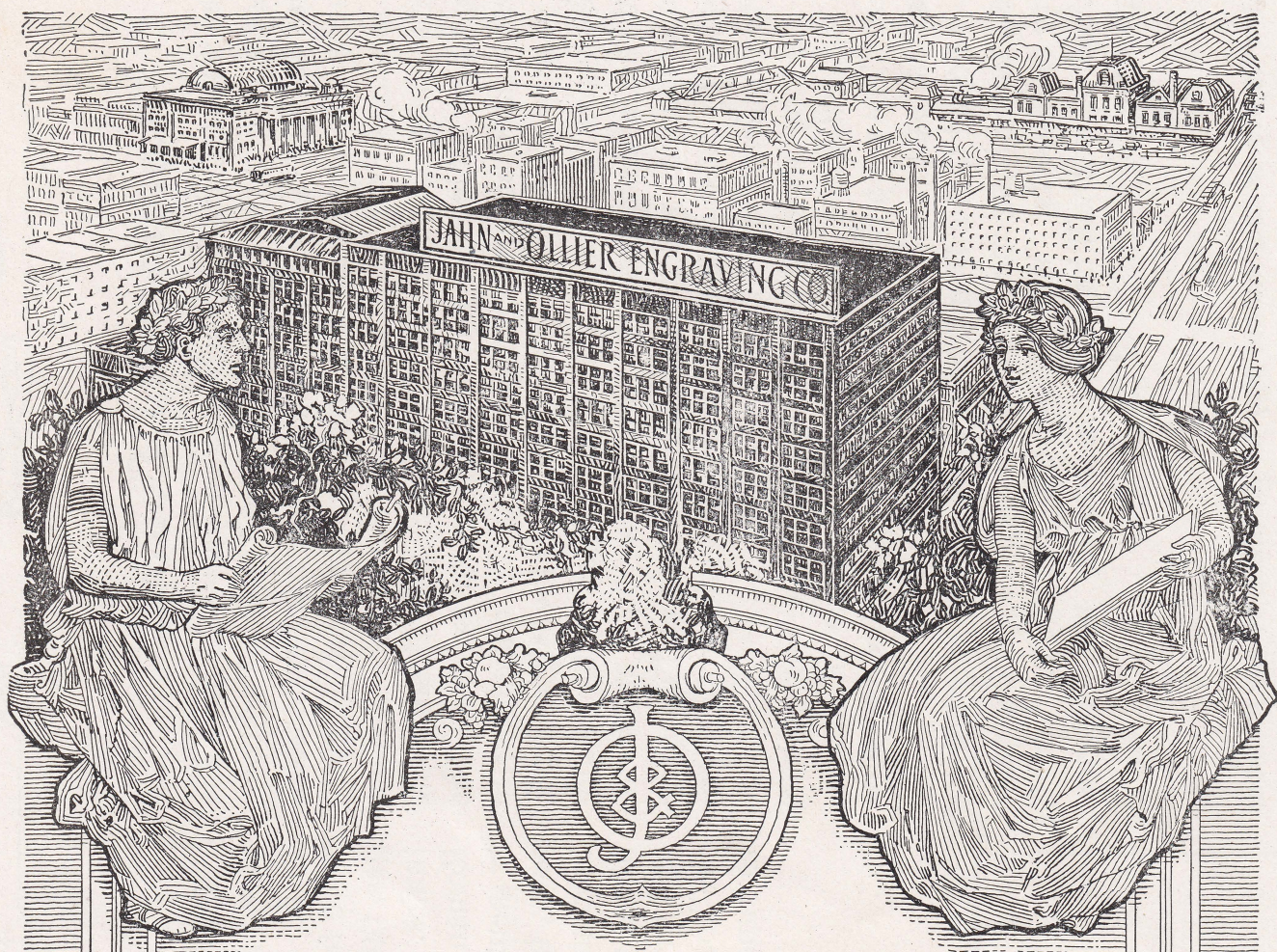
The Latin Play.

The Caesar and Vergil classes presented Miss Paxon's play, "A Roman Wedding," on Tuesday evening, May 4, 1915. The customs of the Romans in regard to marriage were followed as nearly as possible. The men wore togas, the ladies the stoles, and the slaves bright colored tunics. The stage setting represented the interior of a Roman house. One of the parts which might be especially mentioned was the procession, where the whole company, including slaves and flute players, carrying lighted torches, accompanied the bride and groom to their new home, where the bride anointed the door-posts with oil and wrapped them with woolen bands and on entering the house consecrates her new home and offers prayer to Juno, goddess of marriage.



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